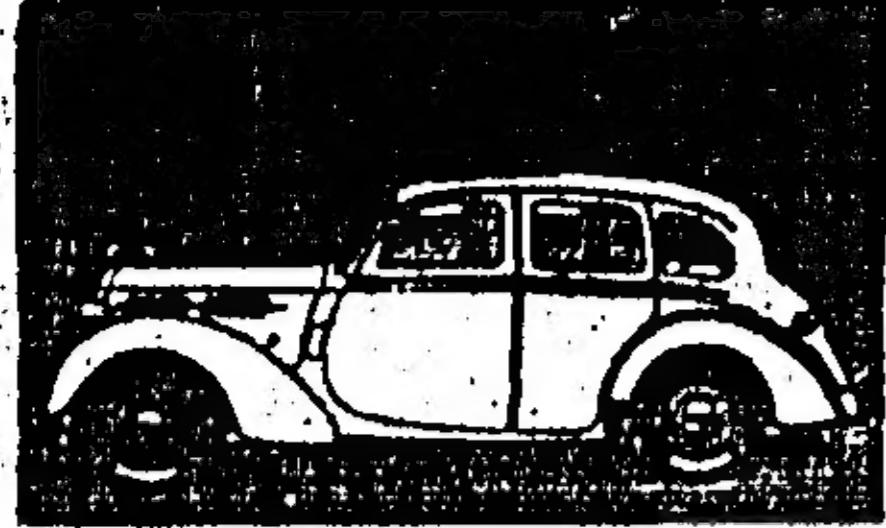


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PRIME MINISTER'S HINT: 'HALT HITLER' PLANS

LONDON, Mar. 28.

N IN THE HOUSE of Commons to-day the Prime Minister indicated that Britain's plan for a Four-Power "Halt Hitler" front includes concrete measures against future aggression in Europe.

He did not say that a military alliance had been proposed, but he declared that Britain's proposals go beyond mere consultation in the event of aggression.

He refused to reveal details of consultations which are still in progress.

Replying to the Labour Member Mr. Hugh Dalton, who asked the Premier to explain the proposed consultation agreement, Mr. Chamberlain said: "What the Government has in mind goes a good deal further than consultation."

Mr. Dalton queried whether Britain would join other countries in aiding Poland in the event of aggression.

To this, Mr. Chamberlain declined to answer but he said, "The Government has made it perfectly clear, to other governments with which they are prepared to consult, exactly what the Government is prepared to do."

The President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Oliver Stanley, told questioners that trade negotiations with Germany have been suspended.—United Press.

ACTIVE CONSULTATIONS

London, Mar. 28.

Replying to Mr. Harry Greenwood in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Neville Chamberlain stated:

"The Government is actively continuing consultations with other governments on the issues arising from recent events. During the progress of these consultations, the House will appreciate that it is essential their confidential character be respected."

The House will not expect me to make a statement which cannot be complete until we are in possession of the final views of the other governments concerned."

Mr. Greenwood asked the Premier whether, in order to remove apprehensions, he would go a little further and say whether the declaration which had been submitted to certain Powers was one for consultation, or whether it involved military commitments.

MORE THAN CONSULTATIONS

Mr. Chamberlain replied: "It will be understood from what I have previously said, what the Government has in mind goes a great deal further than consultations. I do not think I should like to go into any further detail at the moment."

In reply to further questions, the Premier said that the Government had made it perfectly clear to the other governments what Britain was prepared to do. There would be a discussion on the matter at the earliest possible moment in the House.

Mr. Chamberlain added: "The Government fully realises the urgency of this matter and the desirability of coming to a conclusion at the earliest possible moment, but there is more" (Continued on Page 4.)

PENAL SERVITUDE FOR DYNAMITE SABOTEURS

LONDON, Mar. 28.

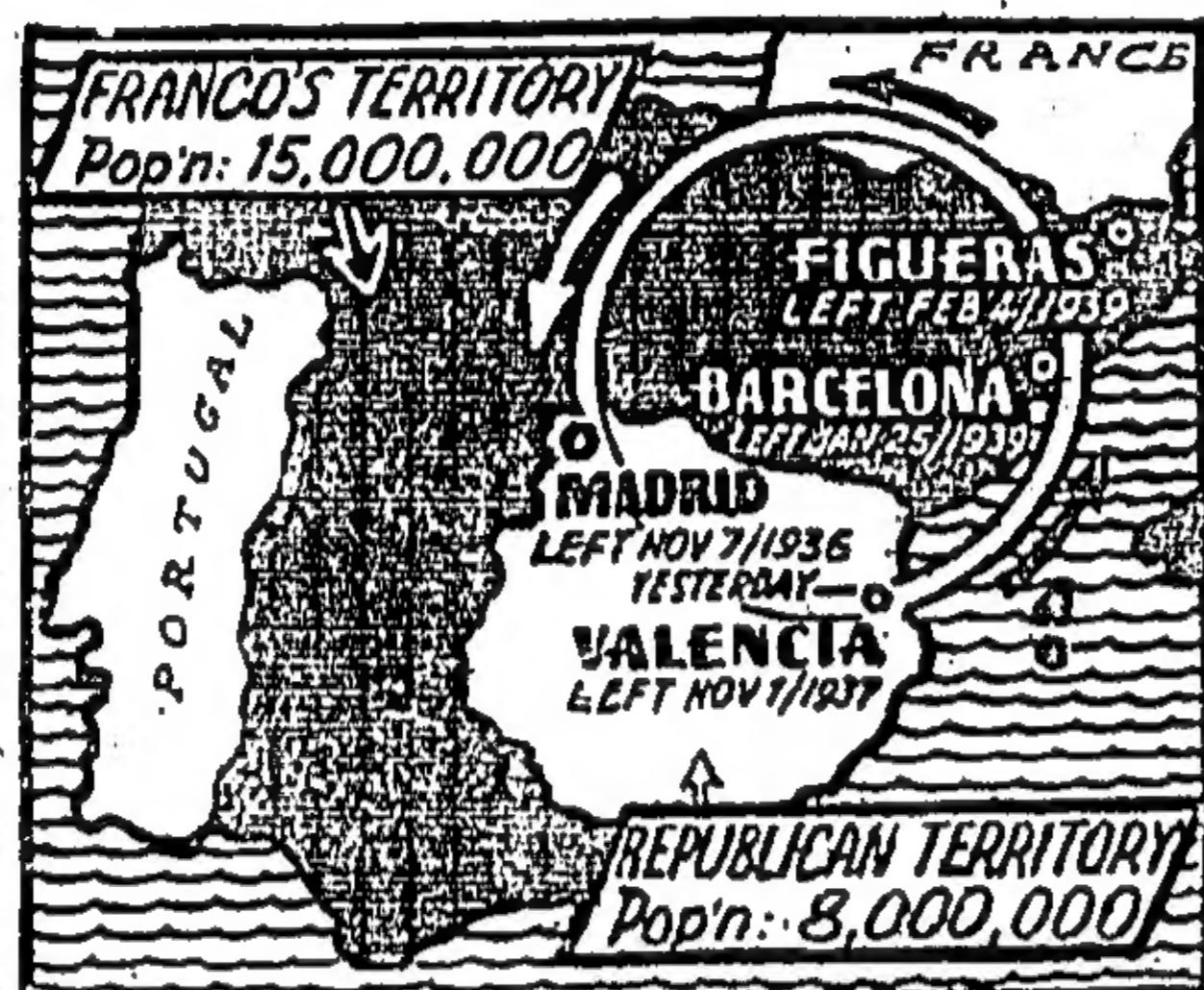
SUMMING UP in the Old Bailey trial in which eight men are being tried on charges of conspiring to cause explosions and arson, Mr. Justice Humphreys said to-day:

"When a person ceases to employ constitutional methods of altering the position of part of a British dominion, and employs methods of terrorism and incendiarism, causing explosions, and rendering the life of respectable law-abiding citizens impossible then it is that the Crown invites those who are responsible for administering the law to act firmly, in doing what they can to suppress such illegal and dangerous acts."

"These men regard themselves as patriots, let them be patriots. Let

Leaders Free To Paris

With their departure from Madrid yesterday the Republican Government has completed the circuit of their wanderings.



Republican Leaders Flee To France

PARIS, Mar. 28.

MEMBERS OF the Spanish National Defence have arrived in Valencia, according to a message received here.

They are conferring under the chairmanship of General Miaja.

With Nationalist aircraft ceaselessly flying over Madrid the first act of its new masters was to order the staffs of theatres, cinemas and other places of entertainment to stay at their posts, in order that the life of the city should continue normally.

During the afternoon the first food lorries of General Franco's social help organisation entered the city, and chocolate, tinned food and fruit were distributed among the welcoming populace.

The Nationalists had earlier occupied a section of University City held by the Republicans.

A Berlin report says that Herr Hitler has telegraphed to General Franco offering him heartiest congratulations on "the final defeat of nation-destroying Bolshevism."

Meanwhile in Rome, Signor Mussolini appeared on the balcony of the Palazzo Venezia and addressed a crowd of 10,000, saying:

"General Franco's—infantry—and the Italian legionaries have entered Madrid, and the Spanish war can thus be considered finished. It finished with the collapse of Bolshevism, and so will the enemies of Italy and of Fascism."—Reuter.

U.S. AND SPAIN

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28.

The belief is being expressed here that the surrender of Madrid will possibly hasten United States recognition of General Franco's government.

No immediate action in this connection is expected.—United Press.

ACCORDING TO PLAN

Madrid, Mar. 28.

Nationalist columns started to make their entry into Madrid from the University quarter at 1.10 p.m. to-day.

Everything, it is said, is being carried out with precision and according to plan.

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Neutrality Legislation

New Bill Goes To Senate

Washington, Mar. 28.

SENATORS NYE, Bone, Bennett and Clark to-day jointly introduced the amendment to the Neutrality Law.

The amendment would make the cash and carry features mandatory instead of discretionary and extend them to include any materials instead of only munitions.

It would also empower either Congress by resolution or the President by proclamation to announce the existence of a state of war abroad, instead of limiting such action only to a presidential proclamation.

The amendment has been referred to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.—United Press.

Motorist Lucky In Crash

SPRINGFIELD, Mass.

Herman R. Bork, 45, hopes to keep well from now on while motorizing. Stricken ill while driving his automobile, Bork lost control of his car. It struck an oncoming machine, then careened into two parked cars. Bork was injured only slightly.

BIG BATTLE IN KIANGSI

Heavy Fighting Near Nanchang

SHANGHAI, Mar. 28.

HEAVY FIGHTING and large-scale engagements between the Japanese and Chinese troops are going on in the immediate vicinity of Nanchang, north-west of the city.

According to Japanese reports received here to-day, the capture of Wuning by the Japanese is hourly expected.

After the capture on Monday of Nanchang, it is believed that the Hunan capital, Changsha, is the next main objective of the Japanese forces.

Chinese reports admit that strong Japanese forces are approaching Nanchang, but deny that the Kiangsi capital has fallen.

Chinese press reports state that Mr. Wang Ching-wel has left Hanoy by air for Siam.—Trans-Ocean.

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FRENCH SHIP SEIZED

TANGIER, Mar. 28.—An unknown warship is reported to have seized a French vessel near Cape San Antonio.—Reuter.

EUROPE'S WAR FEVER

Slovaks Take Precautions



PRINCESS JULIANA of the Netherlands with Prince Bernhard and their daughter, Princess Beatrix, are at present on holiday at Gelnhausen, near Interlaken, where they were joined by Queen Wilhelmina. Our photograph was taken while Princess Juliana and her daughter were being filmed by Prince Bernhard, who is an enthusiastic cinematographer. It was officially announced on February 3 that Princess Juliana is expecting a second child in August.

BRATISLAVA, Mar. 28.
SLOVAKIA IS preparing for both peace and war.

While the Foreign Ministry directs peace negotiations by sending a Slovak delegation to Budapest in an effort to obtain peaceful withdrawal of Hungarian troops from the part of East Slovakia occupied on March 23, the National Defence Ministry has begun the task of assigning five classes of reserve officers and military, aviation and anti-aircraft forces to posts they must fill should peace negotiations at Budapest break down.—United Press.

New Lithuanian Government

KAUNAS, Mar. 28.
A NEW LITHUANIAN Government has been formed under General Cernius.

Generally speaking, the new Government is semi-military, as there are three other Generals in the Cabinet, and it is a non-party Government.

The new Cabinet will present itself to Parliament this evening.—Reuter.

Germany's "Tradition"

It is unnecessary to accuse Germany of perfidy.

Not only the Nazi Government, but all previous German Governments, from the time Frederick the Great onwards, have made their position perfectly clear. To them an International assurance is no more than a statement of present intention. It has no absolute validity for life.

Thus Lord Cecil, President of the International Peace Campaign, wrote (Continued on Page 12.)

LATEST

More French Sailors

British Navy To Abolish Flogging

PARIS, Mar. 28.

IT IS REPORTED that French naval effective will be increased from 74,900 to 77,500, and recruiting for the extra men will begin immediately.

Another report states that M. Daladier will broadcast to the nation at 7.45 p.m. on March 29. He is expected to make some reference to Signor Mussolini's speech of Sunday last.

From London comes the report that the Admiralty has asked the Government to abolish flogging in the navy. Nowadays it is only retained in peace time for mutiny and allied offences. Flogging is not inflicted in the army and air force.—Reuter Special.

See Back Page For Further Late News

Ango-Indian Pact Rejected

NEW DELHI, Mar. 28.

The Indian Assembly, by 59 votes to 47, refused to-day to approve the Indo-British trade agreement.

The Moslem League abstained from voting.—Reuter.

TEXAS ORANGES

McAllen, Tex.

George Chapapas, orchardist, reported a 24-year-old orchard of Mrs. H. F. Ferry of McAllen produced 64,000 pounds of oranges during the past season. It is a one-acre orchard and Chapapas believes the production is a record.

JoanForgot Her Divorce

HOLLYWOOD, Mar. 28.
JOAN CRAWFORD, famed film star, failed to obtain a divorce from her husband, Franchot Tone, another prominent film actor, which she filed last month, because she was not present to-day in court when the suit came up for hearing.

The judge set April 18 as the new date for the hearing.—Reuter.

CHIEF PETTY OFFICER'S ALLEGATION OF FALSE IMPRISONMENT

Jenkins v. Shelley And Another

MR. JUSTICE HALLETT recently gave judgment in the High Court of Judgment for the defendants in the action, in which Mr. Eric John Arnold Jenkins, an engine-room artificer, 4th class, with rating as a chief petty officer in the Royal Navy, of H.M.S. Curacao, claimed damages for alleged false imprisonment from Captain Richard Shelley, commanding the Curacao, and the Earl of Cork and Orrery, Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth.

Mr. Jenkins complained that on January 22, 1938, Captain Shelley, with the knowledge of and by the authority of Lord Cork and Orrery, caused him, without lawful justification, to be assaulted and falsely imprisoned for a period of 36 days in the naval detention quarters at Portsmouth and that as a result he had been brought into public scandal and odium.

By their defence the defendants said that Captain Shelley, with the approval of Lord Cork and Orrery, sentenced Mr. Jenkins to 42 days' detention because he had been guilty of highly insubordinate conduct in disobeying the lawful command of his superior officer. The defendants denied that in so detaining the plaintiff they acted without lawful justification, and they relied on the provisions of the Naval Discipline Act, 1870, and the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions.

It was stated that in January, 1938, shortly before 8.15 a.m., Chief Engine Room Artificer Mauger, the plaintiff's superior officer, entered the engine-room artificers' mess and gave the usual order to begin work, using some such words as "Come along, lads, turn to!" A few minutes later Mauger found that every one had left the mess except a stoker and the plaintiff. Mauger said to the plaintiff, "Turn to, Jenkins." The plaintiff then got up and said in the presence of the stoker some such words as "Well, it has got to come to last, I am not going to do any more work for the Admiralty. Will you tell the senior engineer when you go along?"

As a result of that occurrence a charge was made against the plaintiff, alleging that he "did wilfully disobey the lawful command of his superior officer when ordered to turn to at 8.15," and he was ordered by Captain Shelley to be kept in detention in the Portsmouth Naval Detention Quarters for 42 days, the punishment warrant being signed also by Lord Cork and Orrery as Commander-in-Chief. The plaintiff, in fact, served 36 days in detention, having received a remission of six days for good conduct.

The question, it was said, was whether in the circumstances the offence with which the plaintiff was charged was one which could be dealt with summarily or one which must be tried by Court-martial. Section 17 of the Naval Discipline Act, 1866, provides as follows: "Every person to this Act who shall wilfully disobey any lawful command of his superior officer, or shall use threatening or insulting language

tain Shelley had the necessary jurisdiction in point of law to sentence the plaintiff summarily to detention; and, secondly, if he had not, what damages ought to be awarded.

His Lordship referred to section 58 (2) of the Naval Discipline Act, 1870, and said that none of the limitations there imposed on the general power of summary trial and punishment in respect of offences triable under that Act was applicable to the present case. It was conceded for the defendants that, since the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions were, to quote the Order, "enjoining their observance, established by his Majesty's Order in Council," any further limitation of the jurisdiction of the first defendant which appeared from the Regulations could be relied on by the plaintiff, and did not merely expose the defendants to disciplinary action for disregarding the limitation.

His Lordship then reviewed the relevant provisions of the King's Regulations, and said that it resulted that, according to article 551, the plaintiff was not to be sentenced summarily to detention except for one of the offences specified in the article. The short point for decision was whether he was sentenced for "highly insubordinate conduct."

Counsel for the plaintiff pointed to the terms in which the plaintiff's offence was specified on both the charge sheet and the punishment warrant, and contended that it appeared from those terms that the plaintiff was neither charged with, adjudged guilty of, nor sentenced for "highly insubordinate conduct." He (his Lordship) agreed with counsel for the plaintiff that, whether the plaintiff could have been so charged, adjudged, and sentenced, having regard to the admitted particulars of his conduct, was wholly immaterial if that was not in fact done. Counsel further contended that whether Captain Shelley considered the plaintiff to be guilty of highly insubordinate conduct was irrelevant. He (his Lordship) agreed that that was so, but only if the defendants were precluded by the documents from establishing that that was the offence for which the plaintiff was in fact sentenced.

THE FIRST DIFFICULTY

The first difficulty was that, while article 552, when read in conjunction with article 551 which referred to it, clearly contemplated that highly insubordinate conduct was an offence triable under the Naval Discipline Act, the Act itself did not refer in terms to any such offence. The inclusion of "Insubordination" as the second offence in Section (1) of Table I in article 540 also seemed to contemplate that insubordination was an offence triable under the Act. Accordingly, counsel conceded that highly insubordinate conduct was an offence covered by section 17 of the Act, since it was common ground that there was no other section which could cover it. A charge of highly insubordinate conduct in those terms in the charge sheet would have been a charge of an offence not mentioned in the Act, and the insertion of such a charge on the punishment warrant would have failed to comply with the requirements of article 538, which provided that when punishments were ordered by the warrant, as in the present case, the charge as shown under the heading "Particulars of Offence"

should follow as closely as possible the wording of the appropriate section of the Naval Discipline Act.

Accordingly it was contended for the defendants that conduct rendering the offender guilty of any one of the three offences created by section 47 might amount to highly insubordinate conduct, and that the question whether it had been of the gravity described by those words was one for determination by the High Court. Counsel for the plaintiff, on the other hand, contended that wilfully disobeying the lawful command of a superior officer could not amount to highly insubordinate conduct, wilful disobedience being something merely passive, and insubordination being something in the nature of active defiance. He (his Lordship) was unable to take that view. In his opinion wilful disobedience to a lawful command of a superior officer would commonly and correctly be described as a kind of insubordination, although not the only kind.

It was not disputed that the quality, as distinct from the nature, of the offence committed was a matter for consideration by, and only by, the persons entrusted with the duty of deciding how far the offender ought to suffer or escape the maximum punishment which could lawfully be imposed for that offence. Counsel for the plaintiff had further urged that the officer in command of the ship could not be the judge of his own jurisdiction, but he (his Lordship) thought that it was clearly for such an officer to decide whether the person charged with wilful disobedience was guilty of that offence, and, if so, whether the quality of his offence was, in all the circumstances, sufficiently serious to bring it within the description "highly insubordinate conduct."

It was strongly contended for the plaintiff that Table I under article 540 prevented the Court from regarding wilful disobedience as a kind of insubordination which might amount to "highly insubordinate conduct," because "wilful disobedience of orders" appeared as the first offence mentioned in section (1) of the Table, which section was headed "Disobedience," whereas "Insubordination and Disrespect" was the heading of section (1) in the Table. "Insubordination" being the second offence mentioned in that section. In his opinion that Table could neither create fresh offences nor subdivide existing ones except with regard to suggested normal maximum punishments. Nor could the Table affect by such creation or subdivision the permissible mode of trying offences. Article 540 was only intended to deal with limitation of punishments, and ought not to be utilised so as to have the effect of dealing with jurisdiction to try offences summarily.

He came to the conclusion that the plaintiff was not sentenced without jurisdiction, and that his claim accordingly failed.

It was usual for the trial Judge in such circumstances to indicate the damages which he would have awarded to a plaintiff in case an appeal against his decision should succeed. In the present case, however, he (his Lordship) was in no better position to assess the damages than a higher Court would be. He therefore contented himself with saying that no suggestion had been made that the defendants were guilty of anything more than a bona-fide misapprehension as to the extent of the powers conferred on Captain Shelley by provisions which, as sufficiently appeared from the judgment, were not very easy to construe.

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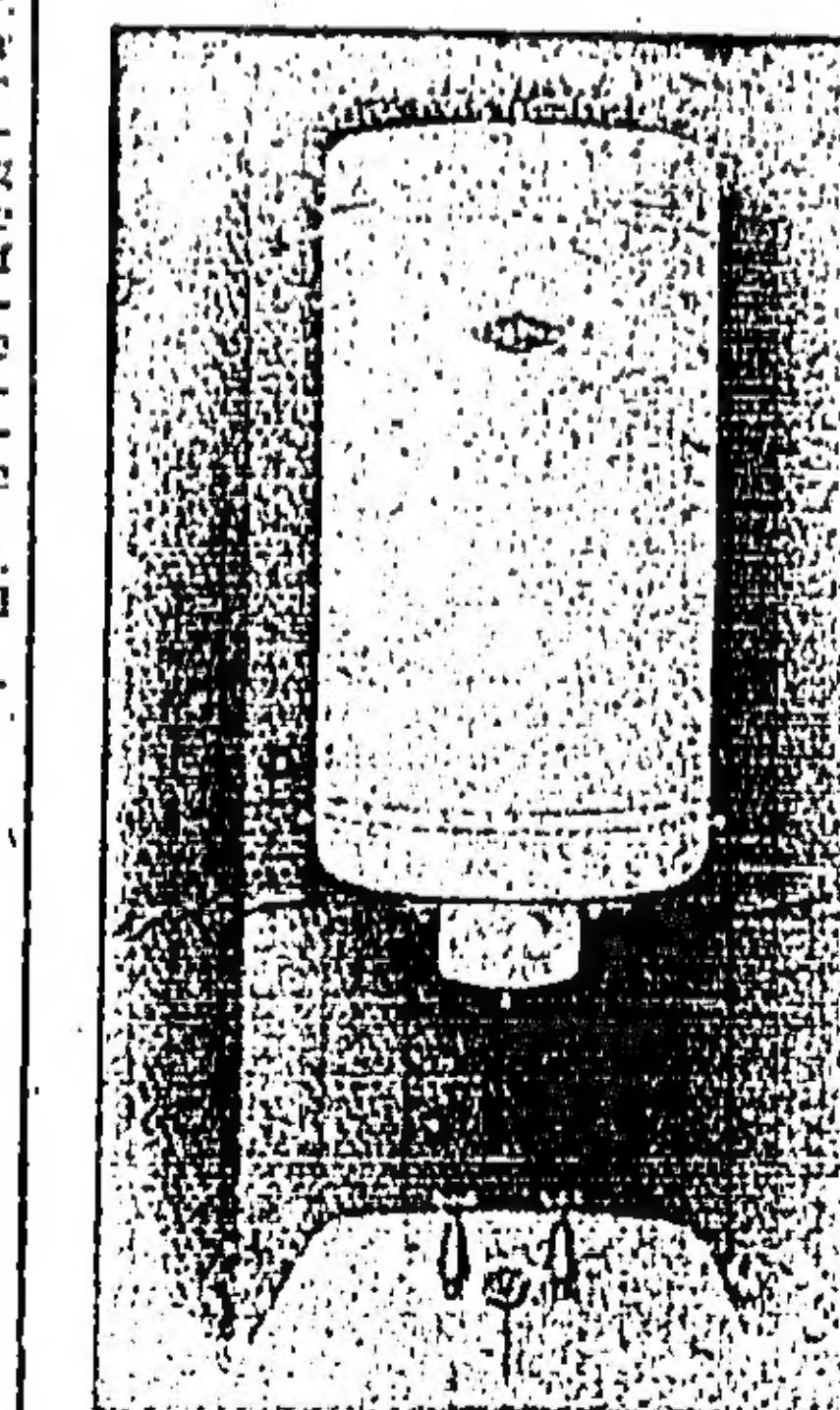
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OLD BEGGAR ROBBED
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From Court Poor Box

The theft of \$5 from a 75-year-old beggar named Wong Kan at Portobello Street, Mongkok, brought Sin Yu, 30, unemployed, before Mr. E. Hinsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. Sin was additionally charged with possession of a filed chisel. He was sentenced to six months' hard labour on the first charge and to one month on the second, the terms to run concurrently.

Wong was sleeping in the street when he felt someone touching his girdle. He tried to get up, but was pushed down again. When he finally got up, he saw three men, who ran away. He raised the alarm, and pursued the men, and the defendant was arrested by a pedestrian.

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Hearing of the summonses against A. G. Hargrave, of Imperial Chemical Industries (China) Ltd., charged with driving a car while under the influence of liquor, and driving without due care and caution, was continued before Mr. R. Edwards in the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Hargrave is alleged to have driven his car while under the influence of liquor along Bonham Road on February 22 last, and to have swerved near King's College, thus colliding with a motor cycle driven by Woo Kam-tai. Traffic Inspector S. C. Saunders prosecuted, and Mr. F. G. Nigel, for the defence, Mr. Alfred Y. S. Ho held a watching brief on behalf of Woo.

Mrs. A. M. Kirk, residing at the French Hostel, Causeway Bay, who was subpoenaed by the prosecution, stated that shortly after 1 p.m. on February 22 she was driving along Bonham Road when she noticed the remains of an accident between a small Morris car and a motor cycle. She stopped and got out of her car, but as she was approaching the scene of the accident Hargrave came towards her and asked for a handkerchief to bind up his wrist, which was bleeding profusely.

At the same time, she saw a prostrate form lying near the wreckage, and thinking that he was more in need of attention, she asked Hargrave to wait. There were a bus and a big car nearby, and she went over to the latter to ask the persons inside, some of whom were foreigners, if they would take the man lying there to the hospital, as her own car was too small. She received no response. Meanwhile, Hargrave again asked her for a handkerchief to bind up his wrist. She told him she knew nothing of first-aid but would take him to the Queen Mary Hospital.

Rude and Curt

Continuing, Mrs. Kirk said: On the way to the hospital, I was rather rude and curt to Hargrave for I was myself excited and angry at the refusal of the persons in the big car to render any assistance. I asked Hargrave what his name was, and, on being told, I inquired if he was, and, on being told, I replied you must tell me, "I am King George." He replied how strange and then asked me to call his wife sometime. I said I didn't know he was even married and then told him to keep quiet as I wanted to give all my attention to the road, having been in the Colony for only three weeks. My remarks to him were curt, and he answered me just as quickly.

Questioned by Mr. Nigel, Mrs. Kirk said that she thought both of them were excited at the time.

Mr. Nigel: Apart from being excited, was there anything to show that Hargrave was in any way irrational?—Not to me.

Did he have any difficulty in enunciating his words?—I didn't notice. In fact we were speaking very quickly and snubbing at each other.

Was his speech in any way thick or blurred?—No.

Did he seem to be depressed, morbid?—I didn't look at him—I kept my eyes on the road.

When he approached your car for help was he staggering?—I didn't notice.

From what you saw of him, did he strike you as a man who had taken alcohol and was unable to look after his own car?—He was obviously upset and excited by the smash, and so was I.

Was there anything in his actions or speech to suggest to you that he had been drinking alcohol?—I have never been in contact with intoxicated men so I can't give any opinion, but I did not notice any effects of alcohol on him.

Was he incapable?—Certainly not. His movements were those of a normal man, I think.

Ripped up to the time you left him he was able to look after himself?—On arriving at the hospital he seemed upset, and I asked him if he needed any assistance. He said no. Just then I saw Sister Fraser and called out to her. Sister Fraser thought I was in the accident too, and was far more excited than Hargrave.

In reply to Inspector Saunders, Mrs. Kirk said that what she told a Police officer after the accident was that Hargrave was upset and excited as he was.

Men and Alcohol

Inspector Saunders: Do you remember the Police officer asking you if you could say anything about Hargrave's condition and whether he had been drinking, and you replied you were unable to?—He asked me if I smelt his breath, and I tried to make a joke out of it by saying that most men nowadays smell of alcohol.

You didn't say Hargrave had been drinking?—No.

If other witnesses say his breath smelt of alcohol how can you explain that you didn't notice?—As I said just now, most men smell of alcohol nowadays.

Inspector Saunders expressed his disagreement and then asked: Was he incapable of driving a car properly?—That's strange you should ask that. Of course he was incapable because his wrist was out of action. But apart from the wrist I can express no opinion on that. He was only upset.

After Mr. C. H. Douglas, of the P.W.D., had produced plans of the accident, Dr. T. K. Lien, of the Queen Mary Hospital, testified to having examined Hargrave one and half hours after his admission. Hargrave's face, said witness, was flushed, his eyes red, his pulse rather rapid, and his breath smelt strongly of alcohol. "He was unusually talkative and happy, a fact which struck witness as rather strange in view of the circumstances which led to his admission."

"He could not say if Hargrave was in a condition to drive a car properly, as he did not examine him

at the time of his admission. That had been done by another doctor.

Cross-examined by Mr. Nigel, witness said he went to the ward where Hargrave was, in response to a telephone message. He could not say definitely who sent the message as he did not ask, but he thought at the time that it was the Police. There were no indications suggesting Hargrave was suffering from shock.

Further questioned, witness said that Hargrave found no difficulty in enunciation, nor was his speech blurred when witness saw him.

Sergeant J. Harris testified having examined the wreckage and found a Morris Minor two-seater No. 3542 on the left-hand bend just past King's College and motorcycle No. 155 lying on the right side. The front wheel of the car was resting on that of the motorcycle. The left front mudguard of the car was badly dented and there was also a large dent on the bonnet. The lower part of the windscreen was shattered, and there was blood on the steering wheel. The hand-brake was on, and the ignition turned off.

The motor-cycle sustained damage on the front mudguard and the lamp protector. There were two irregular skid marks, measuring two feet and three feet respectively, and these indicated that the car must have swerved from the wrong side of the road back to the right side.

He saw Hargrave about 3 p.m. the same day, and noticed he was under the influence of alcohol but not drunk.

The case was adjourned to this afternoon.

REPUBLICAN LEADERS
FLEE TO FRANCE

(Continued from Page 1.)

Early this afternoon, a provisional administrative committee was formed by Falangists, who had remained concealed in the city from the outbreak of the hostilities.

While Nationalist army engineers are feverishly engaged in building emergency bridges across the Manzanares, the population to-day set to work removing barbed-wire entanglements and barricades in order to speed up the entry of General Franco's troops.

While the Nationalists are marching into Madrid, the offensive is continuing on the other fronts. In the Cordoba sector, a Nationalist column met no resistance in occupying Adamuz.

WELCOME TO TROOPS

General Franco's troops were given a general welcome in Madrid, while Nationalist aeroplanes performed aerial acrobatics.

The centre of the city shows no signs of having been affected by the Nationalist bombardments, but the outside fortifications present a terrible spectacle, entire blocks of houses having disappeared.

The greatest damage was caused in the Arguelles quarter, where scarcely a house remains inhabitable.

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A cubic sub-editor, his mind haunted by the possibility of more and more crises (and, of course, more and more cables) asked hopefully in writing whether there would be war in Europe.

NO WAR

The visitor was quite confident.

"You want to know if there'll be

war in Europe?" he said, without touching or seeing the slip of paper.

"Pick one," he challenged.

"I did."

"You've just picked the Queen of Hearts. It signifies for you that you'll be changing your residence at the end of the month!"

I gasped, and patted my breast pocket, to make sure he hadn't glimpsed the lens I'd just signed for a new flat.

By this time a crowd of hard-boiled reporters were gathering.

"When am I going on leave?" one challenged in writing on a folded strip of paper.

The man looked thoughtful.

"You've written something about a holiday," he said after a pause. "Yes, that's it. You're going on leave. You will leave Hongkong by the steamer Potsdam next month."

Which, of course, is perfectly true.

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OBITUARY

Another Vacancy In House of Commons

London, Mar. 28.
Another vacancy has occurred in the House of Commons by the death of Sir George Harvey, Conservative member for the Kensington Division of Lambeth from 1924 to 1929 and since 1931.

Sir George was 89 years old and had served for 12 years on the Holborn Borough Council. He was Mayor for four successive years up to 1924. He also served as member for Holborn on the London County Council. He was a director of the famous Cafe Royal off Piccadilly Circus.—*Reuter Special*.

There are now eight by-elections pending to fill vacancies in the House of Commons, seven of which are for Government seats.

STATE FUNERAL

Former Ambassador to Paris Buried in Tokyo

Tokyo, Mar. 28.
The Foreign Office recorded the late Mr. Yutaro Sugimura, former Ambassador to France, a Ministry funeral to-day, conducted according to Buddhist rites at the Nishi Hon-ji Cathedral, at Tsukiji, Tokyo.

Ministers of State, high Government officials, foreign diplomatic representatives, including the Italian Ambassador, Signor Glaelio Auri, and the French Ambassador, M. Arsene Henry, and a large number of notables attended the funeral.

The French Ambassador, in his memorial address, said the French Government and people share the profound grief of Japan in the loss of the distinguished Ambassador.

COUNCIL MEETING

Eight Bills for Second And Third Readings

At a meeting of the Legislative Council to-morrow afternoon, the Colonial Secretary will move that the Report of the Finance Committee (No. 2), dated March 23, 1939, be adopted.

The Attorney General is to move the second and third readings of: "A Bill to amend the Betting Duty Ordinance, 1931."

"A Bill to make better provision for the prevention and punishment of endeavours to seduce members of His Majesty's forces, or any member of any local Naval, Military or Police force, corps or reserve, from their duty, or from their allegiance to His Majesty."

"A Bill to amend the law relating to the professional qualifications required in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court and Full Court."

"A Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to the registration of persons."

"A Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to the taxation of Hydrocarbon Oils."

"A Bill to authorize an undertaking for the reclamation of an area of sea bed to abut the Jubilee Street Ferry Pier approaches and Connaught Road to the Eastward of such approaches between Queen Victoria Street and Pottinger Street and for construction of a pier extending seawards from such reclamation and also for the construction of a temporary pier between the said reclamation and Douglas Wharf."

"A Bill to amend the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1938."

"A Bill to make provision for the Colony's yearly contributions to His Majesty's Government for defence."

NEWS IS KNOWLEDGE

QUESTION: Who is the tennis-player and amateur gardener who has just been installed as a Sultan?

ANSWER: Sir Abdul Aziz, the new Sultan of Perak, richest of the Federated Malay States.

Q: What happened at the installation?

A: The new Sultan was enthroned and underwent a ceremonial purification. Unlike other Malayan rulers, Sultans of Perak do not wear a crown.

Q: What are the new Sultan's interests in life?

A: He is one of the recognised experts on rice cultivation and knows as much about the subject as his British advisers. His hobbies are tennis, golf and gardening. He has played in, and won, many tennis tournaments in Malaya against all comers.

BARTER AGREEMENT

Germany and Argentina To Exchange Goods

Buenos Aires, Mar. 28.

Argentina and Germany have signed a barter pact whereby Argentina will export 100,000 tons of wheat and 8,000 tons of wool to Germany for six months. In return Germany will provide railway materials including 64 locomotives, sleeping cars and freight cars.—United Press.

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

MARCH 29, 1889.
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25 YEARS AGO

MARCH 29, 1914.

It is reported from Brussels that both the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies have passed a Bill for the protection of the battlefield of Waterloo and to prevent projects for building thereon.

After a prolonged Cabinet meeting, Mr. Smith announced in the House of Commons that Field Marshal Sir John French and Lt.-Gen. Sir John Ewart had resigned. The Government had requested them to remain and were awaiting their final reply.

General Gough is still at the Curragh, while Edward Carson has left for London.

The U.S. General-in-Chief, Mr. G. E. Anderson, reports to Washington: "Although the chief portion of the Colony of Hongkong is an island composed almost entirely of a mountain ridge, which roads have been constructed in the past only for pedestrians, sedan chairs, or rickshaws, and mostly at exceedingly steep grades, the past year has developed a considerable trade in automobiles. Some 40 or 50 are now in use in the colony, and three garages are doing a thriving business in renting cars for tourists' pleasure parties."

"There is a strong movement in the colony toward the improvement of all roadways on the lower levels and on the mainland portion of the colony so as to accommodate automobile traffic. The extension of roadways into the interior of the mainland is difficult, in view of a range of high hills to be crossed, but a considerable amount of road building for military purposes has already been done, and further extension and widening of the existing roads will be undertaken as funds and opportunity are had. The prospects of considerable road extension for motor purposes are favourable, and it is probable that the extension of motor road to points near the Chinese frontier, particularly to Fanning, a popular golf course, will be made in the immediate future."

10 YEARS AGO

MARCH 29, 1929.

General Ludendorff, who is now 63 years of age, is spending his declining days in fighting Freemasonry and Judaism, and in propagating the worship of the old German gods.

To-day he was sentenced to a fine of \$40, with an alternative of six months imprisonment, for libelling an Army photographer whom he described as a "Frenchman" in an article entitled "The Immorality of Freemasons."

Captain D. D. Richards, acting master, Chinhuai, has gone acting master, Shantung; Captain J. Beck, of the Hulchow, has gone master, Chinhuai. Captain E. M. Goffe, of the Wellesley, has gone master, Hulchow. Captain R. H. G. Ashby, from Home leave, has gone master, Kwaiyuan.

Captain A. N. Taylor, from reserve, has gone master, Shanhai.

Mr. A. Aberne, chief officer, Fatahsan, is on reserve. Mr. T. Gottschall, chief officer, Kliklang, has gone chief officer, Fatahsan. Mr. H. G. Paterson, chief officer, Shantung, has gone chief officer, Kliklang.

Mr. F. E. Noyon, has been appointed second officer, Hupeh. Mr. A. M. Buchanan, second officer, Hupeh, is on reserve.

Mr. J. McKinlay, chief officer, Hupeh, is on reserve.

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Defence and Nutrition

THE DIFFICULTIES of assessing nutritional values and the fact that the scope of its inquiries embraces extraneous subjects which are required only for statistical purposes by the Colonial Office renders it certain that the sittings of the Hongkong Nutrition Committee will be protracted into 1940.

In the meantime, presumably, it is proposed that the Government should sit back and await the Committee's Report before attempting to much as tackle the problem of mal-nutrition in this Colony.

It is abundantly clear, without calling for a Report from any Committee, that thousands of children and infants in Hongkong are being denied the nourishment they must have if they are to become healthy adult citizens.

We have been informed that the cost of a bowl of soup containing the requisite vitamins that will allow a mother to nourish her child is but one cent; that for less than \$40,000 per annum, the Society for the Protection of Children can provide one free bowl of soup per day in every day of the year to ten thousand mal-nourished mothers.

Although this Colony can, reluctantly perhaps, find sufficient revenue to pay six million dollars per annum to the Imperial Government as a contribution towards Imperial Defence, it can distribute but a fraction of this sum for charitable purposes. The Colony has spent enormous sums since the beginning of the century on Defence Contributions—it would not be an over-estimation to say that the total in the past four decades has exceeded \$100,000,000—and the net result is that, if the entire population of Hongkong were wiped out to-morrow by war, the loss in human life would be infinitely less than if, in the same period, a tenth part of \$100,000,000 had been spent in tackling the problem of the under-nourished child.

Statistics reveal that the Colony's infantile mortality ranks amongst the world's highest—Incomplete returns show that approximately one in every three infants dies before it reaches the age of twelve months. Death is caused in the majority of cases, not by lack of attention from the infant's mother, but from lack of nourishment from the mother's breasts.

We are conscious of the fact—the War Office has been at pains to make it public this year—that the cost to the Imperial Government of maintaining the Army Garrison in Hongkong is five-fold the amount annually remitted to London as this Colony's defence contribution. At the same time, we are not convinced that the Garrison is a good one. The Garrison is not here primarily to protect the citizen of Hongkong; it is here as an integral part of the British defence system in the Pacific, and we have no doubt that, if strategy dictated such a move in time of war, Hongkong would quickly be left to its fate, despite our substantial contributions towards the upkeep of the Army.

We realise that it is only just and right, in these times of international stress, that this Colony should contribute substantially towards the common defence of the Empire. But we are convinced that in no part of the Empire is a Government called upon to contribute twenty per cent of its total revenue, both municipal and general, towards the upkeep of the Army.

Whichever way we look at it, we cannot see but that expenditure on legitimate undertakings for the common weal of the taxpayer is being starved in order to contribute to the fair and undue proportionality of the revenue for military expenditures. It must be obvious that a lessening of the Defence burden would result in a proportionate increase in re-

They Were Not Afraid To Die

WENTY-SEVEN years ago, on March 29, 1912, Captain R. F. Scott wrote in his diary: "It seems a pity, but I do not think I can write more. For God's sake look after our people."

For ten days he and the two companions that remained of the four that had reached the South Pole with him had been held up by a blizzard. And for ten days they had been slowly dying of starvation and exhaustion.

That entry in Scott's diary was the last flicker of life in one of the greatest but one of the most unfortunate of all voyages of exploration. From the moment when they came across the traces of the Norwegian, Roald Amundsen, who beat them to the Pole by a few weeks, their luck had turned against them. The difficulties they had to face were greater than was humanly possible to overcome.

Scott's second Antarctic expedition was, unlike the first, entirely his own responsibility. He wanted to complete the knowledge of the South he had acquired on the Discovery expedition ten years earlier, and his purpose was primarily scientific. It was to attract funds from the public that he made the Pole his objective.

On the outward voyage from England he had received a message from Amundsen, saying, "Am heading South." From that moment it was a race between them, and Scott was well aware how heavy the odds were against him.

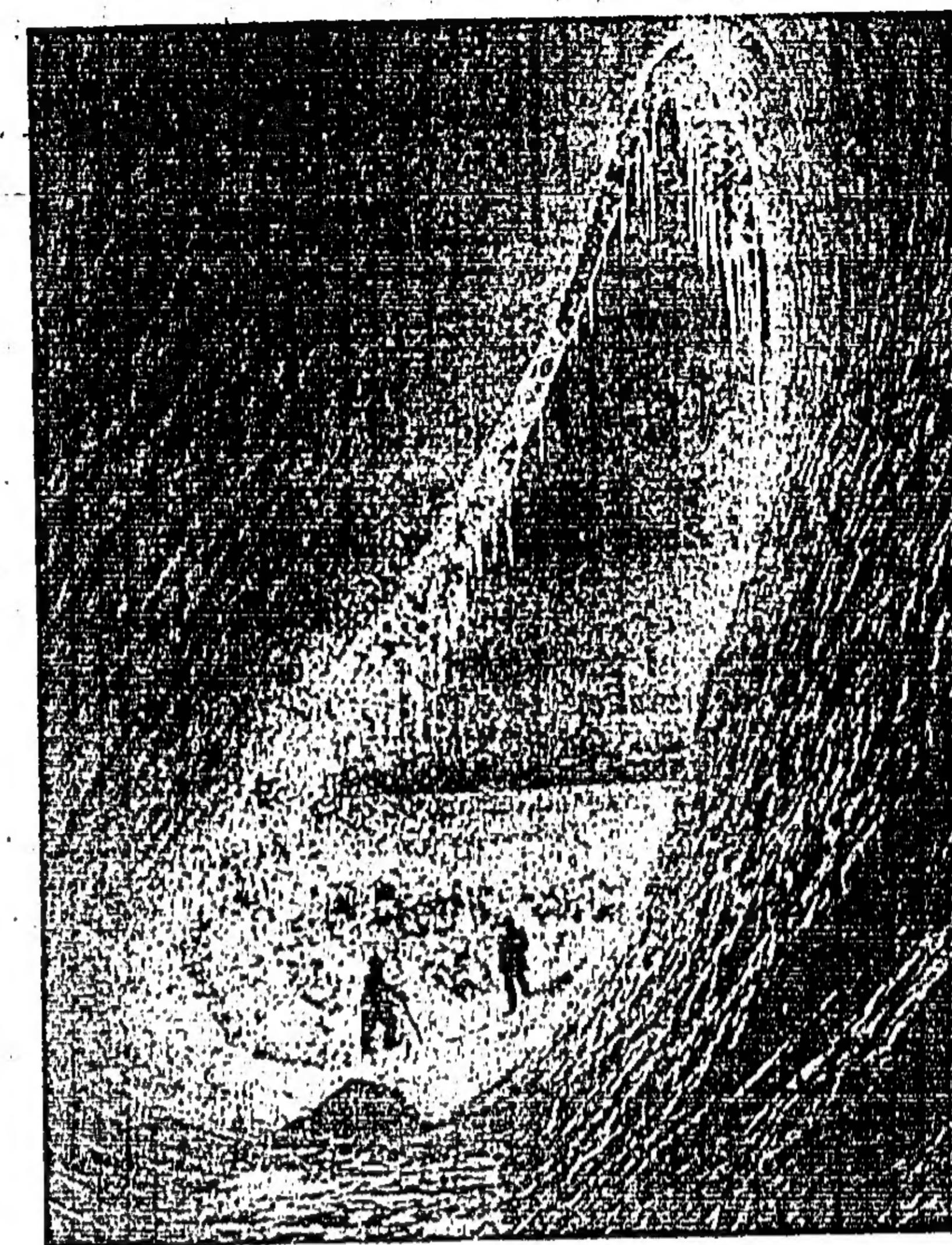
And if one is to judge by fame alone, it was he who succeeded and not Amundsen. Amundsen's brilliantfeat is one which one admires and no more. Scott's failure and death were of the kind to catch the imagination. The diary which he kept until he had no more strength to write is one of the most moving documents ever written.

The outward journey was fairly straightforward. Depots of food were left at intervals and the party was gradually reduced as sections returned to the base.

Six hundred miles of the Ice Barrier were covered before a blizzard came down on them at the foot of the Beardmore glacier and held them up for three days on end. It was a serious blow. Reserves of time, food and energy were dissipated and the margin of safety was reduced.

When the weather cleared, three teams of four men carried on up the glacier. Near the top one team was sent back. Two parties struggled on to the bleak desolation of the 10,000 foot high plateau where the Pole itself is situated. They were still 400 miles from their goal.

The cold and the wind began to get the better of them. On the high plateau the temperatures averaged minus 10 degrees Fahrenheit, 51 degrees of frost, and this, with a wind of anything up to gale force. At the Pole itself the temperature was minus 40 degrees F. by night and minus 22 degrees Fahrenheit.



By DONALD HODSON

Even at this late stage there was little wrong with anyone in man of the party, began to succumb. His nose was badly frost-bitten and his hands were covered with frost-bite blisters. Oates suffered from frozen feet. Blizzards overtook them, and as their marches were dangerously short, Wilson suffered agonies from snow-blindness. Evans

With Scott were Dr. E. A. Wilson, zoologist; Captain L. E. G. Oates, of the Inniskilling Dragoons; Lieutenant H. R. Bowers, of the Royal Indian Marine; and Seaman Edgar Evans, of the Royal Navy.

More accidents beset them. Wilson strained a tendon, Scott slipped on the ice and hurt his shoulder, and by the time they reached the glacier head and left the plateau, Bowers was the only fit man.

They started down the glacier on February 8. On the way down Evans fell and concussed himself, and on February 17, at the foot of the glacier, he had another fall, was brought in on the sledges, and died the same night without recovering consciousness.

Their morale severely shaken, they pushed on, gradually weakening.

It suddenly became much colder. Temperatures fell to minus 30 degrees F. by day and minus 40 degrees F. by night. The oil supply at their next de-

nourished.

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At the end of it, Scott could write, "For my own sake, I do not regret this journey, which has shown that Englishmen can endure hardships, help one another and meet death with as great a fortitude as ever in the past."

It is for this spirit with which they faced the hardships that in the end overcame them that their names have not been and will not be forgotten.

pot was unaccountably short. Oates's feet were much worse.

On March 10 Scott's diary reads: "Things steadily downhill"; on March 11, "Oates is very near the end, one feels." They divide up the medical means of ending their lives.

On March 17 Oates managed to struggle on with them till they camped. That evening, with a blizzard raging outside, he got up and said, "I am just going outside and may be some time." They never saw him again. He walked out to his death so that he should no longer be a drag on them. He not only gave them another chance, but spared them the pain of watching him die.

But the survivors were in little better condition. The extreme cold and the blizzards continued. On March 18, Scott writes: "My right foot has gone, nearly all the toes." And a day later: "Amputation is the least I can hope for, but will the trouble spread?"

That night, the 20th, they camped only eleven miles from their next depot. It was their last camp. They had food for only four days and practically no fuel.



On March 29 comes the last entry. They had decided that it should be a natural death. Seven months later the search party found them lying in the tent, as if asleep.

There have been many post-mortems held on the fate of Scott and his companions. There is nothing that can be added now. Scott's own "Message to the Public" written in those last days, explained the major reasons. "The causes of the disaster are not due to faulty organisation, but to misfortune in all risks which had to be undertaken."

Their failure was due first and foremost to the weather, which was far worse than they could reasonably have expected from previous experience. Next, the shortage of paraffin at the depots, which Scott could not explain, but was due to seepage through the faulty stoppers of the tin containers. Then, according to Mr. Cherry-Garrard, one of the zoologists of the expedition, the food allowances were inadequate, both as regards calories-existent. Even on full rations they were undernourished.

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It is for this spirit with which they faced the hardships that in the end overcame them that their names have not been and will not be forgotten.

"I ASKED MUSSOLINI"

Second article of a new series in which questions are put to the Duce by an interpreter—and answered from Mussolini's "My Autobiography."

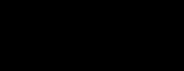
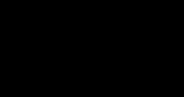
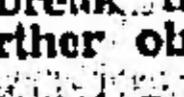
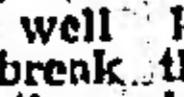
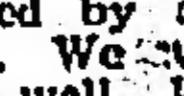
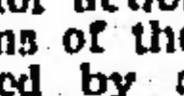
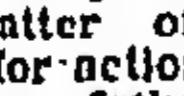
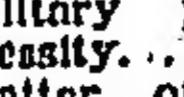
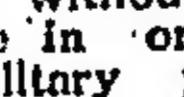
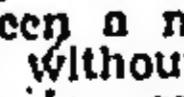
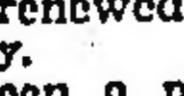
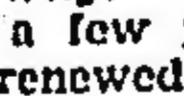
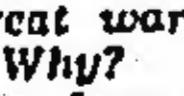
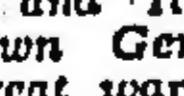
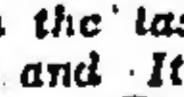
will always be able to keep them, in view of the rising tide of Hitler's Pan-Germanism?

A. . . We find ourselves at the Brenner Pass now, and . . . at the Brenner we will remain at any price." (p. 120.)

. . . the sacred limits of the Brenner." (p. 130.)

Q. How long do you think you and Hitler will stick together?

A. . . Only in front of the magnificence and suggestiveness of the Alps, only after having lived together in the anxieties and torments of war, can one measure the soundness of a friendship or measure in advance how long it is destined to go on." (p. 31.)



OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

Polish Corridor

LATEST GERMAN PROPOSAL

Abolition Of Danzig Commissionership

London, Mar. 28. According to the *News-Chronicle*, Germany has sent a note to Poland with reference to Danzig, proposing that the Danzig High Commissionership be abolished, that any settlement be confined to Germany and Poland alone and that all rights in Danzig revert to Germany with the exception of certain port rights which Poland will enjoy.

The *News-Chronicle* says Poland is considering the note carefully, and that the proposals form the one reason for Poland's intention to join the "Holt Hitler" bloc.—United Press.

Defence Loan

Warsaw, Mar. 28. Appealing to the nation to subscribe generously to the £48,000,000 internal defence loan, Gen. Skwarezki, leader of the Government party, declared to-day that Poland visualised war in the future as an era of fresh successes for the invincible Polish army.

He added that the Poles regarded the events of historical importance occurring near the frontiers calmly because they were confident of their own strength.—Reuter.

German Press Campaign

Berlin, Mar. 28. Agitation about the treatment of Germans in Poland which was begun yesterday continued to-day in the Essen *National Zeitung* which has connections with General Goering.

The newspaper, under the heading "Intolerable burden on German-Polish friendship," says the impression is gaining ground that the Polish authorities are not masters of the situation and make only feeble efforts to keep control. It is claimed that German men, women and children are systematically attacked, German farms and houses are attacked under cover of darkness and German shops boycotted.

The paper says that hitherto the German public opinion has been silent, hoping it only a question of isolated incidents.

"This silence is no longer possible, for the steady intensification of the campaign and its non-suppression by the Polish authorities represent in the long run an intolerable burden on German-Polish friendship."

A message from Gleiwitz says that German workmen in Upper Silesia can get neither bread nor work.—Reuter.

Russia

Big Troop Movements On Borders

Warsaw, Mar. 28. Information from Moscow says that the Soviet authorities were massing large military forces along the borders of Latvia and Estonia.

Due to the congestion of troop trains, the international express train from Moscow arrived here three hours behind schedule on Monday.

Most of the fresh reinforcements for Soviet border guards were sent from the White Russian Military District.

It is understood that the Soviet troop movements have been prompted by the reported opening of negotiations of unknown nature between Germany and Latvia.

The Soviet authorities were also reinforcing their defence forces along the border of Rumania near Bessarabia by mobilising the troops from the Hallikov and Caucasian Military Districts.—Domec.

NEW HOSPITAL

Appeal for Money to Cover Cost of Building

London, Mar. 28. Efforts are being made to complete the entire cost of rebuilding Westminster Hospital on the new site close to that opposite the Abbey which it has occupied for over 100 years, before the new building is opened by the King next month. An appeal for £100,000 was issued on March 8 and so far £60,000 has been raised, including a gift yesterday of £25,000 by the Chairman of the Hospital, Mr. Bernard Docker, British Wireless.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

Floriferous seigneur
follicle stesmograph
sedentary amonated
English Oxford Dictionary spelling
of these words will be found on page

Latest Spain Situation

MADRID FALLS: SURRENDER FLAG HOISTED: FIGHTING IN THE STREETS

General Franco's Insurgent troops after practically completing their surrounding of Madrid yesterday entered the former Republican capital from which General Casadas and other leaders had fled.

Having received no definite reply from the Loyalist Council of Defence to his demand for the surrender of the capital, General Franco ordered a new offensive. Artillery exchanges rocked the city earlier, and although resistance had been feeble, the Insurgents met unexpected opposition in the streets on the outskirts of the city.

Several Loyalist posts in the suburbs first surrendered and many prisoners of war have been captured.

On the southern front success attending General Franco's drive. The offensive culminated yesterday in the capture of the important city of Almaden, where the world's richest mercury mines are situated. The city has been in the Loyalists' hands since the outbreak of the war in 1936.

Colonel Casado has ordered the demobilisation of all recruits awaiting instructions to rejoin the forces.

This is regarded as confirming reports that the Republicans do not intend to resist Franco further.

Positions Abandoned

Madrid, Mar. 28. The Loyalists have abandoned a number of positions on the outskirts of Madrid, according to a *Hausa* message from Burgos. Whole units are stated to have surrendered to the insurgents south of the city.—Reuter.

Fall Imminent

Madrid, Mar. 28. Early this morning General Franco's troops believed that the occupation of Madrid was imminent, despite the unexpected resistance in the streets where the advancing troops frequently met musketry fire.—United Press.

Generals Surrender

Hendaye, Mar. 28. General Minju, accompanied by two members of the Madrid junta, Generals Manuel Matallana and Leopoldo Menendez, have arrived at Valencia by motor car. It is reported that General Minju is ready to surrender authority to General Franco.—United Press.

Madrid Surrenders

Madrid, Mar. 28. After a siege lasting nearly two and a half years, Madrid has surrendered.

White flags were hoisted throughout the city to-day, but it is not yet known when the Nationalist troops will enter. General Casado has left his headquarters. The central army has surrendered, acting under the orders of their chief, Colonel Pradas.

It is believed that General Franco will enter Madrid on April 1.—Reuter.

To Hand Over

Madrid, Mar. 28. A broadcast message at noon to-day announces that the Republican leader, Colonel Vazquez Prada, has assumed command of the Madrid garrison until occupation of the city by Nationalist troops.—Trans-Ocean.

Nationalist Troops Arrive

Madrid, Mar. 28. At 11.50 a.m. Nationalist troops were already in the streets of north Madrid, advancing towards the centre.

All night long troops streamed from all fronts which are now deserted. Using special light units created for this offensive, which was headed by cavalry, the Nationalists carried their advance with practically no resistance. Three companies carrying white flags passed over their lines.—United Press.

Nationalists in Control

Madrid, Mar. 28. The Nationalist salute with extended arm is now seen everywhere. The news spread like wildfire and Republican flags disappeared as if by magic.

The city exits are thronged with fugitives fearing reprisals and they are desperately seeking means of escape, but cars are scarce owing to a petrol shortage. The streets are filled with soldiers who have abandoned the front lines. Republican banknotes are refused in shops.

It is not known where General Casado, Chief of the Republican forces, has fled, but he left Madrid before its surrender.

The Police look on indifferently while Nationalist supporters demonstrate.

The first troops to enter the city will be those from University City.—Reuter.

SOUTHERN OFFENSIVE

Burgos, Mar. 28. The Insurgents were given a tremendous welcome when they occupied Almaden, the centre of the greatest mercury mines in the world, which has been in Loyalist hands since the outbreak of the war. According to an eye-witness the Loyalists offered less resistance in the past 24 hours than on the first day of the new offensive.

An insurgent communiqué claims that offensives in the Cordoba and Toledo sectors have resulted in the capture of over 10,000 prisoners and large quantities of war material.—Reuter.

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Princess Alice

London, Mar. 28. Princess Alice, sister of King George VI and her husband, the Duke of Athlone, will leave England on April 11 to pay a visit to Iran. It is expected to last about one month. The purpose of the journey has so far not been disclosed.—Trans-Ocean.



Shanghai

Japanese Succumbs To Wounds

Daring Assassination Perpetrated

Shanghai, Mar. 28. The shooting occurred when Ataru Makino, who is assistant chief of the personnel section at the Shanghai Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company's mill, was shot through the head while in a rickshaw going through the Yangtsepo district. He was picked up by Japanese gendarmes and conveyed to Japanese headquarters and later to the infirmary of the cotton firm where he died.

Makino was a member of the Japanese Residents' Corporation.

All traffic was immediately suspended after the shooting as the Japanese authorities halted vehicles going in either direction at Yangtsepo and instituted a minute search. A Japanese naval landing party and Japanese gendarmes threw a cordon around the scene of attack. Several Chinese were detained for questioning.

One cartridge shell proved to be the only tangible clue.

The shooting was particularly daring, as it took place in a heavily patrolled area in the vicinity of the Japanese wharves. Shooting north of Soochow Creek has been an extremely rare occurrence. There has also been a dearth of shooting in the foreign areas since police precautions were put into effect.

One suspect was detained in the neighbourhood of the crime, according to a Japanese spokesman at today's press conference.—Reuter.

CLASH IN HUNGJAO ROAD

Shanghai, Mar. 28. A Japanese spokesman stated to-day that 10 armed Chinese bandits encountered Japanese troops at Hungjao Road this morning and engaged in an exchange of shots.

One bandit is reported to have been killed and another arrested, both being armed with Mauser pistols.—United Press.

Rumania

Appeal For Change In Regime

Bucharest, Mar. 28. An appeal for a change in the regime in Rumania in the interests of national unity is contained in a memorandum addressed to King Carol by 33 former Prime Ministers, including M. Maniu, leader of the National Peasant Party.

The appeal expresses regret that during the recent crisis the King did not invite the leaders of all the old political parties to discuss the situation with him in addition to the Government, and declares that King recently assumed too much responsibility and authority.

It demands the establishment of a regime of National Unity and National Faith, having direct contact with the people.—Reuter.

INVITATION BY RUMANIA

Bucharest, Mar. 28. Addressing the Grand Council of 150 members convened for the first time since the founding of the State, M. Caleanu gave an assurance that all the other nations were welcome to conclude an agreement similar to the trade accord between Germany and Rumania.

An emphatic denial was made in answer to a question whether the accord infringed Rumania's independence.—United Press.

PACT WITH SLOVAKIA

Berlin, Mar. 28. The text of the German-Slovak clearing agreement was published yesterday. Although the agreement will not become effective until the documents of ratification are exchanged in Bratislava, it had been provisionally in force since March 23.

Provision is made in this agreement for a regulation of the clearings through a German clearing bank and a Slovak national bank, which is to be founded in Bratislava. The agreement covers all ordinary trade between the two countries but does not apply to transit or ocean traffic.—Trans-Ocean.

"I ASKED MUSSOLINI"

(Continued from Page 6.)

most distinguished effort at journalism." (pp. 30-40.)

Q. What do you think of England's part in the war?

A. "I watched England; she was pondering deeply upon the step to take, and then, in order to keep her supremacy, and also for the sake of her pride and the sake of humanity, she moved her formidable war machinery and quickened the organisation of new armies to snatch from Germany's grip the control of the old Continent." (pp. 38-39.)

Q. Hitler condemns the Treaty of Versailles, which resulted from this war. What do you think of it?

A. "The event for Europe was the end of a nightmare. The continental disillusionments, the reserves and protests of Germany and the tribes between the Allies constituted a permanent danger and a reason for anxiety for many nations. The conclusion of the treaty was, therefore, for them, a liberation.

"For Italy, on the contrary, it was a complete shattering of ideals. "We had won the war; we were utterly defeated in the diplomatic battle. We were losing the whole of Dalmatia, our land by tradition and history. . . . The colonial problem was resolved for us in an absolutely negative way." (p. 89.)

Q. What do you think of your new friends, the Jugoslavs?

A. "The Serbian mentality which did, and still does, work itself along the subterranean tunnels of secret societies. . . ." (p. 35.)

Q. How would you define a good politician?

A. "True men, in politics, must be animated by the human and devout sense; they must have a regard, a love and a deep vision toward their fellow-creatures. And all these qualities must not be defiled by dissimulations, or rhetoric, or subtleties, or compromises, or servile concessions." (p. 85.)

Q. And do you fit this definition?

A. "On this ground at least I am proud, to know myself an one not to be suspected—even by myself—and feeling as to my honest plan for a protest march will be worked out later if the relief workers approve of the proposal.—United Press.

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Colour Riots

In Capetown

Cape Town, Mar. 28.

Italian Air Force Day, destined to commemorate the enactment of the law of March 28, 1923, creating an autonomous air arm as an integral part of the fighting forces, was celebrated throughout the country to-day. In Rome a wreath was laid by two Italian Legionaries from Spain at the monument of the Unknown Soldier in Piazza Venezia in the presence of Signor Mussolini and 15,000 airmen, including 3,000 Legionaries.

In front of the "Altar of the Fatherland" Il Duce subsequently addressed a number of airmen with the gold service medal, while relatives of 31 airmen who fell in Spain received commemorative medals.

Signor Mussolini, accompanied by members of the Government and numerous other leading personalities, afterwards watched a parade of 31,000 airmen in Via Impero.—Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH AWARDS

Recognition of Services

Of Shanghai Officials

Shanghai, Mar. 28.

The French Municipal Council has unanimously endorsed the suggestion to award gold and silver medals to high officials of the International Settlement in recognition of their outstanding services during the past 10 months.

Mr. Sterling Peersenden, American Secretary-General of the Municipal Council who will be retiring shortly, will receive a gold medal; which will also be awarded to Major K. N. Bourne, Municipal Police Commissioner; while Captain H. G. Reed, Municipal Fire Brigade chief, and Major J. T. Ford, Municipal Council Treasurer, who are also retiring, will receive the silver medal.—United Press.

HEALTH BULLETINS</

TENNIS CHAMPIONS NOT PRESSED BY OPPONENTS TSUI BROTHERS ENTER 3RD ROUND OF DOUBLES

Though rain threatened all the time to drive players and spectators alike to shelter, it held off throughout the doubles match yesterday between the Tsui brothers and Omar Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain in the Colony Tennis Championships; but neither the conditions nor the state of the court were conducive to really good play.

As expected, the holders won with comparative ease by scores of 6-3, 6-2. Their opponents started off as if they would give the brothers a run for their money and established a lead of 3-2 in the first set. But they failed to maintain their early promise and fell off badly in the end.

The latest stages of the encounter were extremely dull. They were relieved only in parts by the sporadic brilliance of the champions who, not being extended, were not called upon to bring out their best.

Faculty position by Rumjahn and Hussain left many loopholes for the brothers to break through, while the Indians' slowness in recovery also contributed to their downfall. When they were entrenched at the net they were beaten on several occasions by well-placed lobs, neither Rumjahn nor Hussain being fast enough to retrieve them.

POLO

BRITAIN'S HOPES DIMMED BUT TEAM TO CARRY THROUGH

New York.

This was to have been the year the British really were going to be serious in their courting of the Westchester Polo Cup.

Periodically since 1914 the riders from overseas have made their bids, sometimes on their home soil, sometimes on this side of the Atlantic. But they were more or less flirtations. The Americans were too strong, and the Britons just hoped to make it interesting, to lose gracefully.

But this year! Ah, Money was spent lavishly. The defeat complex was subdued. This was the year the huge Bowl, in the possession of the United States since 1921, was to return to England.

We still can see Gerald Balding, Captain of the British squad, as he loomed in the doorway of the United States Polo Association offices here in the bleak winter twilight recently. A big, ruddy-cheeked man who seemed to bring the breath of the great outdoors with him. He had come direct from the dock, this serious young stalwart to whom polo was life itself. Almost the first words he spoke were:

"Pat Roark was invited to join the squad at a meeting just before we sailed."

He couldn't hide his enthusiasm as he added that with the addition of Roark he felt the English had their best team since the war, and were really out to win, instead of just to make a presentable showing.

He himself was temporarily incapacitated. A pony had rolled on him last November, but he expected to be back in action by March 1.

EXCELLENT CHANCE

But despite his own incapacitation and the fact that Capt. Humphrey Guinness wouldn't be able to compete due to his military assignment in Palestine, Balding felt that with Roark, Eric Tyrrell-Martin, Heskell Hughes, Bob Stene, John Linkin, a youngster whose play verged on the sensational, and others with ratings of seven goals or better had an excellent chance of retrieving the cup from an American squad which could boast four 10-goal players.

Balding outlined the campaign plans, which included a first exhibition match at Medwick Feb. 19. The west coast matches were to serve as trials for both riders and ponies, with the squad arriving at Long Island about May 1 to finish preparation for the June Challenge matches.

DREAMS TUMBLED.

But the world of dreams has tumbled about the Britons. In that first coast match Pat Roark's horse fell, injuring him fatally.

The loss of the hard-riding, fiery Irishman, who knew no peer as a morale builder, on the surface would appear a finishing blow to the hopes of the British team, although there always is the possibility that such an affair might arouse teammates to superb efforts which would carry them through to victory.

Many a contest in every sport has been won by a physically inferior individual or team which found inspiration in misfortune.

U.S. PREPARES FOR INVASION

New York.
The United States Polo Association has taken its first step to prepare for the English invasion next year in the International Series.

The Association invited 13 ranking American players to compete in the American trials to be held May 1, from which the squad will be selected to defend the International Cup against England's challenge.

The four top-flight polo players, Tommy Hitchcock, Cecil Smith, Stewart Igelnart and Michael Phillips were all invited to participate in the trials. Phillips was accorded a ten-goal rating recently by the Polo Association, marking the first time since 1925 that the American team has had four ten-goal handicap men as the nucleus of the international team.

Others invited to participate in the trials include Eric Pedley and Raymond Guest, who boast eight goal handicaps; E. J. Boeselke Jr., William Post II, E. E. Gerry, G. H. Bostwick and Winston Guest, all men with seven-goal ratings; and C. V. Whitney and Robert Gerry Jr., who have six-goal handicaps.

Badminton

Semi-Final Matches Decided

Three matches were decided on the Talcoo court last evening in connection with the Colony Badminton Championships.

In the semi-finals of the Men's Junior Singles, D. Kwock and P. Lo had to play three sets before the former won.

In the Mixed Doubles, P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo (holders) defeated K. L. Yong and Miss W. Cheung, while M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat C. Au and Miss A. Remedios.

The results were:

D. Kwock beat P. Lo 15-0, 10-15, 15-7.

P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo beat K. L. Yong and Miss W. Cheung 15-7, 15-3.

M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat C. Au and Miss A. Remedios 15-0, 15-10.

TENNIS CHAMPIONS

Woman Drills Boatrace Crew



Cambridge crew have done gymnastics under her instruction. Although Cambridge did not win the boat race last year, they stood up against the severe strain to which they were subjected very much better than had been expected. The boat race this year will be rowed on Saturday, April 1.

Boon-Danahar Plan Return Fight On Farr-Burman Bill

By John Macadam

London, Mar. 2. Promoter Sydney Hulls, with the most terrific success in recent British boxing history under his belt, is not content to allow his cash customers any feeling of anti-climax. Before he sails for New York in the Queen Mary this week-end he promises to have a first-class second show card lined up.

Main proposal is to rematch Eric Boon next challenges are regarded by the cognoscenti.

London, I like. He is a simple, unaffected fellow who depends more on a swing than on any fancy foot work and punch picking, but he is game and strong, and can absorb punishment like a sponge taking up water. Whether on level terms—probably for the first time he has had a real preparation for a big fight—he can master Delaney remains to be seen.

That would be one half of the next bill, the other half he hopes to make up of Tommy Farr and Red Burman, the Jack Dempsey protege who so recently licked him in America, that is, Burman was given the decision, but Farr swears he wuzz robbed.

READY FOR THE SIGNING

The conference was timed yesterday with Sydney Hulls, John Harding and Jack Solomons, Eric Boon's manager, in the West End of London. Solomons could not turn up, and final details of the Boon-Danahar fight were not arranged, but Sydney Hulls assured me last night that it was all over bar the signing.

It seems that the well-known Boon eye has yielded to treatment much better than was expected and he will be able to fight almost as soon as he gets back from his long holiday in America, so you may expect to hear my day now of a Boon-Danahar match on a Farr-Burman bill—at last, over twelve rounds in my public place from Salisbury Plain to the Devonshire Sporting Club.

HELPING RIVALS

That Harringay scrap has given a terrific fillip to business along the alleys, and a great deal of the effects will be seen even in the rival promotion of Johnny Best at Harringay on March 16, when Len Harvey and Larry Ghins battle for the Empire heavyweight title.

Both men are in serious training, Harvey at his favourite camp, Jack Straw's Castle, Hampstead, and Ghins at Shoebury Ness, where a variegated assortment of sparring partners testify to his fitness.

Fit or not, I will prognosticate thus far from the night of battle that Harvey will be the same fighting fury that he was against Phillips, and that being so Larry will have to be very fit indeed.

Nearer home there is the big show at the Albert Hall to-morrow night. Now this is interesting to me largely because the principal protagonists, Al Delaney of Canada and Jack London of West Hartlepool, are pretty much on trial. They have both shown good form, and when they are good they are quite good. They have both shown bad form, and when they are bad they are terrible.

CONTENDERS ON TRIAL

For six months now both have chased Harvey for a title fight, and it depends entirely on the kind of performance they give the cash customers in the Albert Hall how their

TIME-LIMITLESS TEST MATCHES NOT TO INTEREST OF CRICKET

London, March 15.

Everybody is not commenting on the timeless Test in South Africa and most of them are saying "I told you so." Here are some comments from famous people.

Walter Hammond (speaking at lunch yesterday at Durban) said "I hope that this is the last timeless Test that will ever be played between South Africa and England. I am convinced that these are not in the best interests of the game."

Sir Pelham Warner (former chairman of England's Selection Committee): "I would like to see five-day Tests in England and six-day matches in Australia and South Africa. In recent years it seems that many batsmen disregard their natural methods, for unnecessary caution. In addition, the wickets are

as opposed to the most cautious cricket, and the fact that interest was restored to the match towards the end by a magnificent M.C.C. innings cannot be reckoned as a normal probability."

This caveat against a repetition of one factor of the M.C.C. tour should not obscure its general success. The relations between the English team, finely captained by W. R. Hammond, and Alan Melville's South Africans have been excellent; no less pleasant has been their reception by the public in South Africa. Many in both countries will echo the wish expressed by the M.C.C.'s hosts that the interchange of visits may become more frequent. Certainly South Africa gave every sign, especially in the Fourth Test, of possessing a side of equal calibre to the team that has made cricket history by scoring, for the loss of five wickets, the largest total ever made in a fourth innings.

"This problem of wickets is undergoing careful consideration, and I think that before the summer a definite move will be made to make the fight between bat and ball more even."

Sir Stanley Jackson (President of Yorkshire C.C.C.): England's effort in the last Innings at Durban was astonishing, but it has not been a very satisfactory match. The feeling in this country, as far as I can judge, is very definitely against playing without some limit. "I believe that a cricket match without a clock is certainly not what was used to regard as a cricket match. My view is that a good game should not be put in a position where it can be ridiculed."

Frank Chester (one of our leading umpires): "Timeless Tests are a 'wash-out.' That Leeds wicket last summer was ideal. It provided an equal test of skill, it was not dangerous, and for three days we had thrills after thrill."

NO MORE SUCH?

The last and "timeless" Test Match of the series has ended indecisively and general opinion is that the experiment is unlikely to be tried again in matches between this country and South Africa. It is pointed out that a match which may last, as this did, for nine days of actual play (apart from a day of rain) is unlikely to produce the best

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London, Mar. 28. In the Rugby League to-day, Keighley, at home, lost to Liverpool 5-0.—Reuter.

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By Ernie Bushmiller

40 Teams In Six-A-Side Hockey Tourny

Competition Divided Into Four Sections, Each With Ten Sides

Forty teams entered for the Six-a-side hockey competition, organised by the Hongkong Hockey Association, the draw for which was completed yesterday. The tournament is divided into four sections, as designated by the respective grounds upon which the early matches are played. The winners of each section meet in the semi-finals and final, which will be played on the Hongkong Hockey Club ground.

Each section has ten teams, and the section competition will progress on the ordinary knock-out lines.

All matches, including the final, will be played off on Sunday, April 2. First round matches will commence at 2 p.m. sharp, and teams which are not on the grounds at that time will be disqualified. Second round matches will commence at 2.30 p.m.

Each team will provide two balls, and each player will turn up with a white shirt, together with his own Club colours.

Should the grounds be unfit for play, it will be so published, and the absence of such notice means that the competition is to be played.

The draw resulted as follows:

Navy Ground No. 1

First Round—C.A.C. v. Tudor "A"; Persus "A" v. Nomads "A".

Second Round—Oncers H.M.S.

Medway v. 8th Destroyer Flotilla;

Birmingham "A" v. Queen's College

"A"; C.B.A. "B" v. U.S.R.C.

C.B.A. Ground

First Round—Recreo "C" v. 8th R.A.; 8th R.A. "A" v. Middlesex "C".

Second Round—R.A.O.C. "A" v. Queen's College "B"; Olympus v. Lower Deck, Medway; Seawise v. R. Engineers.

Recreo Ground

First Round—Radio "B" v. Nomads "A"; Motor Torpedo Boats v. Middlesex "B".

Second Round—K.I.T.C. v. Middlesex "D"; 8th R.A. "C" v. Ellis Kadoorie School; R. Scots v. Recreo "B".

Navy Ground No. 2

First Round—C.B.A. "A" v. Persus "B"; Recreo "A" v. R.A.O.C. "B".

Second Round—Nomads "B" v. 7th A.A.; Birmingham "B" v. Kumaons "B"; Local Defence Flotilla v. Middlesex "A".

SPORT ADVTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Second Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 8th and Monday, 10th April, 1939, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 30th March, 1939.

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U.S. Protests To Japanese Bombings In Air Raids In China

PEIPING, Mar. 28. THE UNITED STATES EM-BASSY has protested to the Japanese authorities against four further bombings of United States property in China.

One concerned the bombing of mission property at Chengchow in Honan on March 23, this being the fifth occasion on which this property has been bombed since the hostilities began.

Others concerned the bombings of mission property at Sian in Shensi, Pingling in Kansu, and the property of an American oil company at Wanhsien in Szechuan.—Reuters.

Wounded Flow Into Shanghai

Cotton Mill Turned Into Hospital

CHUNGKING, Mar. 28. AS ALL hospitals in Shanghai for Japanese wounded soldiers have been filled to capacity, the Japanese have converted the Japanese-owned Kung Dah Cotton Mill in Hongkew into a hospital for wounded soldiers, a Shanghai message reveals.

As fighting has been renewed on the Yangtze front, many wounded Japanese soldiers have been carried to Shanghai for medical treatment.



Loretta Young and Joel McCrea are starred in 20th Century-Fox's "Three Blind Mice," featuring Pauline Moore, David Niven, Stuart Erwin and Marjorie Weaver (left to right).

Nine Records Broken At Wah Yan Meet

DON BUDGE CALLS RIGGS WORLD'S BEST AMATEUR

Sabin Ranked Second In U.S. Tennis List

No less than nine records, six track and three field were broken at the 27th annual athletic meeting of Wah Yan College which was held at the Caroline Hill Stadium, yesterday.

The track was in splendid condition due to the fall of rain a few days ago, while the weather was ideal from the competitors point of view, although a slight drizzle of rain fell towards the end of the meet.

"White House" were the winners of "The Show Son Chow Championship Shield" with a total of 181 points, followed by Black House with 103½ points, and Red House with 151 points.

Mr. C. G. Sollis, Director of Education, presented the prizes at the end of the sports.

The results were:

Long Jump, C Grade—1, Hung Wal-chu; 2, Wong Kan-fuk; 3, Lee Shing-wing. Distance 21 ft. 6 ins.

Putting, C Grade—1, Chan Kit-yip; 2, Ip Po-lo; 3, Tai Chan-hoi. Distance 23 ft. 7 ins.

High Jump, C Grade—1, Man Kit-Yip; height 4 ft. 2 ins.

100 Metres, A Grade—1, Yue Yu-tak; 2, Lal Chung-yin; 3, Ng Chee-wong. Time 12.2 secs.

Long Jump, B Grade—1, Li Yu-tong; 2, Lal Chung-yin; 3, Hung Wal-chu.

Distance 18 ft. 3 ins.

100 Metres, B Grade—1, Hung Wal-chu; 2, Fan Chung-hong; 3, Cheung Man-kong. Time 14.0 secs.

200 Metres, B Grade—1, Chang Kee-ying; 2, Tsao Yen-ting; 3, Wong Yue-nin. Time 26.0 (Record).

400 Metres, A Grade—1, Fung Kim-hing; 2, Ho Kee-ying; 3, G. Chow. Time 50.2 secs.

Long Jump, A Grade—1, Yue Yu-tak; 2, Lal Chung-yin; 3, Hung Wal-chu.

Distance 17 ft. 6 ins.

100 Metres, A Grade—1, Hung Wal-chu; 2, Fan Chung-hong; 3, Cheung Man-kong. Time 26.4 secs. (Record).

100 Metres, B Grade—1, Lal Chung-yin; 2, Tsui Wing-te; 3, Young See-yeung. Time 27.0 secs.

400 Metres, A Grade—1, Hung Wal-chu; 2, Fan Chung-hong; 3, Cheung Yun-hung. Time 36.0 secs.

100 Metres, Junior boys, Wah Yan-Kowloon; 1, Ho Sui-kit; 2, Yam Kwan-leung. Time 12.0 secs.

200 Metres, Junior boys—1, Young Tam-kam; 2, Mok Yew-chol. Time 13.5 secs.

400 Metres, B Grade—1, Fung Kim-hing; 2, Au Sui-yau; 3, Lam Hoe-ching. Time 43.0 secs.

100 Metres, C Grade, Inter-House Relay—1, Reek House; 2, White House; 3 Blue House. Time 0.6 sec.

200 Metres, C Grade—1, Cheung Yun-hung; 2, Kwong Yuk-hing; 3, Lee Man-yuen. Time 2 mins. 25 secs.

400 Metres, senior boys, Wah Yan-Kowloon; 1, Lam Yip-keung. Time 2 mins. 45 secs.

200 Metres, A Grade—1, Chan Wing-ting; 2, Lal Chung-yin; 3, Tsui Wing-te. Time 2 mins. 30 secs.

300 Metres, B Grade—1, Chan Wing-ting; 2, Hung Wal-chu. Time 2 mins. 30.2 secs. (Record).

400 Metres, Relay Girls Schools—1, Wah Yan-Kowloon; 2, White House; 3, Blue House. Time 3 mins. 10.2 secs.

100 Metres, Senior girls, Wah Yan-Kowloon; 1, Lam Yip-keung. Time 12.4 secs.

200 Metres, A Grade—1, Chan Wing-ting; 2, Lal Chung-yin; 3, Tsui Wing-te. Time 2 mins. 34.2 secs.

400 Metres, Low Hurdles—1, Li Chin-shum; 2, Han Tam-yuan; 3, Alex Chang. Time 10.8 mins.

100 Metres, High Hurdles—1, Lo Kuo-cheng; 2, Ng Wei-wan; 3, Maurice French. Time 11.2 mins.

Small Boys' Three-Legged Race—1, Owen Hand-shing; 2, Mo Chui-ling; 3, Wong Hing-sun. Time 1.4 mins.

Handicap Relay Race—1, Bull; 2, Dragon; 3, Tiger.

Small Boys' High Jump—1, Wong Ching-kim; 2, Tan Yoo-chai; Owen Hand-shing. Time 10 ft. 11 ins. (Record).

Young Girls' Middle Hurdles, B Grade—1, Young See-yeung; 2, Szeto Ying-ling; 3, Chung Kwock-hoy. Time 14.4 secs. (Record).

Young Boys' High Jump—1, Chung Kwock-hoy. Time 14.4 secs. (Record).

Putting the Weight, A Grade—1, Chung Kwock-hoy; 2, Tsui Wing-te; 3, Chung Shiu-him. Distance 20 ft. 2 ins. (Record).

50 Metres, Low Hurdles, C Grade—1, Wong Kam-uk; 2, Hung Wah-chu; 3, Lau Kon-chen. Time 14.2 secs.

CRICKET FIXTURES REARRANGED

With the programme spoilt by rain last week-end, the Hongkong Cricket League Committee have rearranged the remaining League matches as follows:

SATURDAY, APRIL 1

First Division
Hongkong C.C. v. C.C.C.

Club de Recreio v. Royal Navy

Second Division
C.C.C. v. Hongkong C.C.

Indian R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.

C.S.C.S. v. Club de Recreio

University v. Army

SATURDAY, APRIL 8

First Division
C.S.C.C. v. Army

Police R.C. v. Kowloon C.C.

Indian R.C. v. Club de Recreio

SATURDAY, APRIL 15

Second Division
Royal Navy v. Army

The League Committee have had no time to consult the various clubs regarding these fixtures, but they hope the clubs will co-operate by agreeing with the dates arranged. Those who cannot are asked to communicate with Mr. A. H. Madar, Hon. Secretary of the League, as soon as they can.

Hongkong C.C. Teams

The following will represent the Hongkong C.C. in League cricket matches against the Craigengower C.C. on Saturday:

1st XI (home)—H. Owen Hughes (Capt.), H. D. Bidwell, D. S. Blake, D. Bryan-Gower, J. H. Fox, J. L. Ilsey, L. D. Kilbee, W. G. New, J. L. C. Pearce, T. A. Pearce and L. T. Ride.

2nd XI (away)—E. J. R. Mitchell (Capt.), A. C. Beck, C. W. E. Bishop, V. C. Bond, N. P. Fox, H. J. D. Lowe, A. K. Mackenzie, D. O. Parsons, J. E. Polter, D. S. Robb and C. M. Stark.

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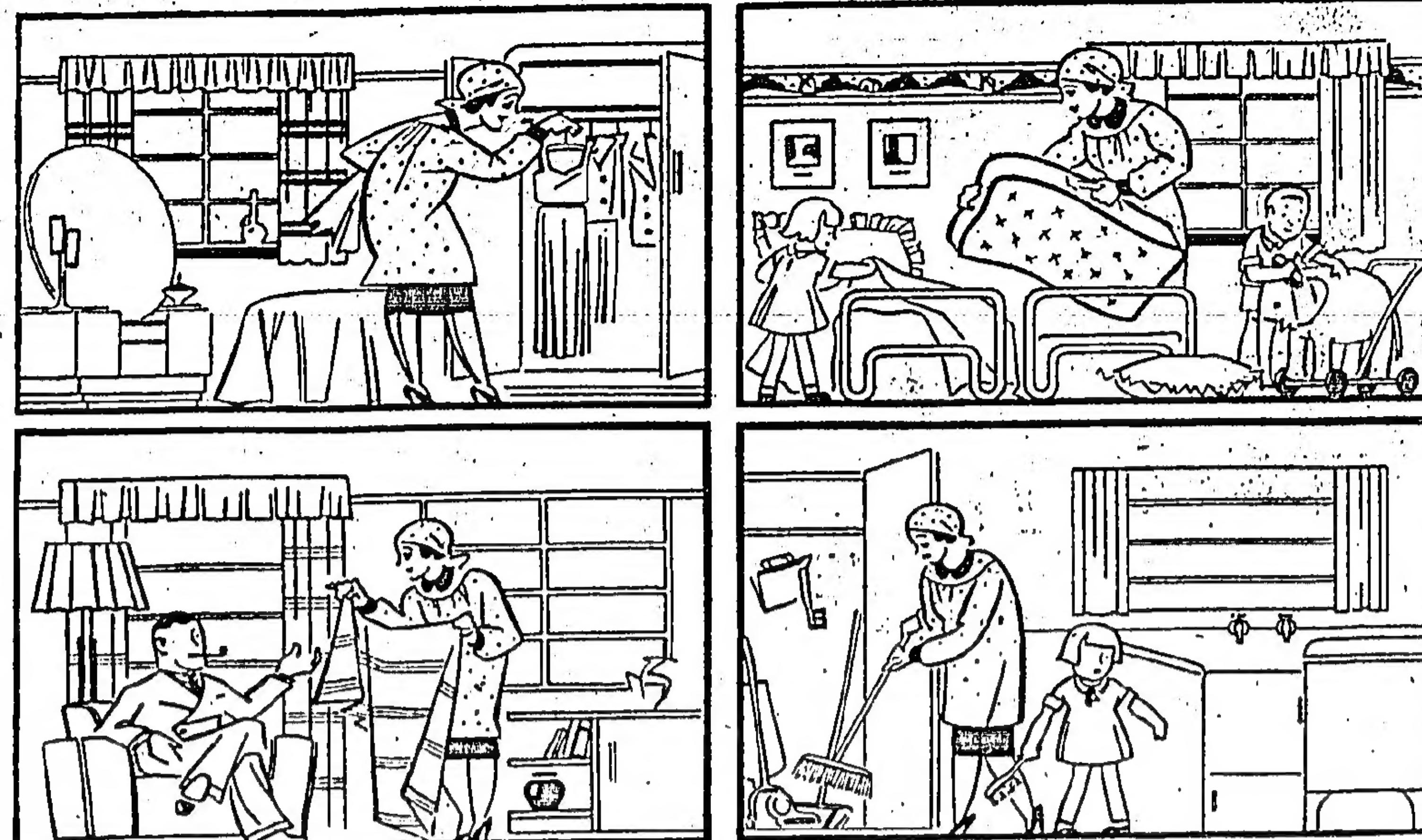
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Preparing for * the Spring * Clean *



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LONGER, brighter days, accompanied by the first chirrups of the birds trying out their voices in the garden, never fail to arouse thoughts of a spring clean, even though this isn't the bogey it used to be.

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Before you really get down to it with mop and vacuum cleaner, a

Food Tips

Add crisp raw cauliflower flowerets to canned orange and grape-fruit segments, and serve with tart dressing for a "quick salad."

Use the canned orange-grape-fruit juice combination to thin mayonnaise or mix with French dressing.

Sauté finely minced mushrooms and green peppers in mozzarella and chicken slightly with flour and cream. Spread on bread slices and toast quickly.

Split tiny finger rolls, take out the inside and spread with highly seasoned mayonnaise. Then place smoked sardines in the roll shells and decorate with strips of pickle or olive. Serve very cold.

Mix 2 tablespoons freshly grated horseradish with 1 egg yolk; add 1/2 cup mozzarella, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, salt and paprika, and serve on fish salad for a "new one!"

Wear Blues, Oranges As New Colours

New York.

As a compliment to the New York World's Fair, French and English designs are playing up blues and oranges, drawn from the blue and orange of the New York State flag. The blue strikes a new colour note in fine mesh linens; orange is smart in mixed tweeds. Plaid and striped taftas keyed up to orange are advanced for evening wear, these being given more importance than those keyed up to the blue.

Selection of just the right cast and intensity of contrasting colour to combine with a selected costume shade will be important this spring. An example this year is found in the wide variety of yellows which have been brought forward to use with black, and various shades of navy. As reported previously, slightly greenish tones of yellow are favoured to combine with black. But gold and the more subtle wheat yellow are used with the light navy which the exclusive costume houses are showing.

Returning from Europe with new ideas for spring, millinery representatives single out "cognac" as a new colour in straw. This shade is described as a golden cast of light brown. It is recommended for its novelty, and suggested for individual emphasis.

Skirts are still swirling, flaring, flowing. If there was any suspicion that the world of American fashion was tired of the spreading skirt and hunkered after a narrow line, current New York fashion tipsters dispel the idea. Fullness all around, voluminous flaring width, front fullness, back flares, loose pleats, gathers, and newest of all—side fullness. Wear fullness over the hips of either side with enough fullness to widen the silhouette and leave the front and back flat. It's a formal fashion.



Violet uses pockets worked into panels for a softly belted suit with rolt collar and box pleats.



With a greater than ever Spring suit season heralded for 1939, one can't possibly have too many blouses. One of the smartest is this crisp hand-made lingerie blouse of self printed organdie from Paris. Note the new fluted collar with its tiny narrow lace trimmed edge to add to its fresh dashiness.

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Brush Hair For Beauty

THERE is beauty in your hair. Brushing it out with vigorous brushing and proper care. Now that the up and down controversy appears settled, you can concentrate on the things that really matter—the health and texture of your tresses. Whether your hair is shiny and silky or stringy and dull depends on the attention you give it—not on your latest haircut or a recent permanent.

Doctors say that hair is as healthy as the person it adorns, so if your conscience tells you that you have shampooed and given yourself hot oil treatment enough and if you have brushed and brushed and still your hair is dry or oily and full of dandruff you had better see your doctor or a dermatologist.

Check Your Health

Nervousness, insufficient sleep, worry, anemia, and dietary faults may account for your sick scalp and itchy hair, and all of these should be treated under the direction of a physician. Once any physical abnormality has been corrected, you will get an immediate improvement in the condition of your hair.

In the majority of cases, however, sensible living requires shampoos, an occasional oil treatment (even for oily hair) and 10 minutes' brushing night and morning with a clean brush will bring about a miraculous change.

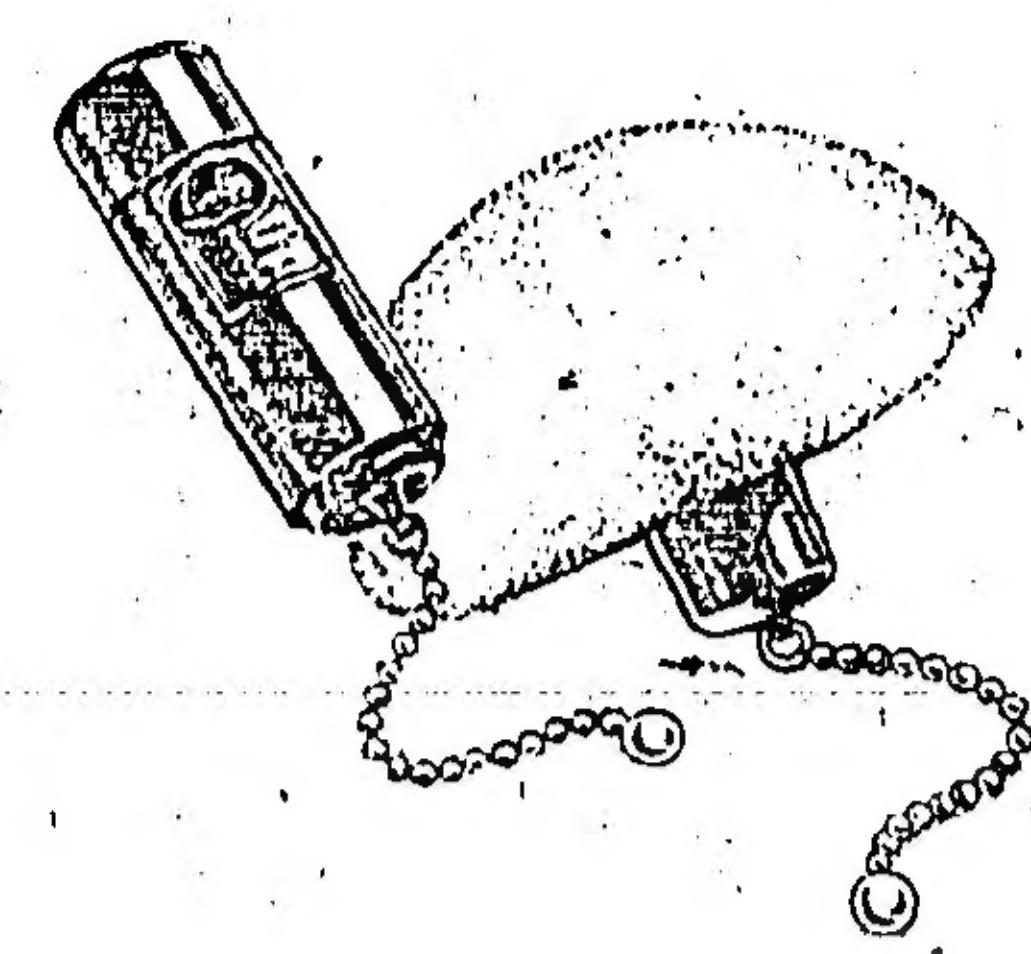
Perhaps the main reason for brushing your hair is cleanliness. First, brush the back of your head from the hairline to the crown to stimulate the circulation. When the scalp is a warm, tingling sensation, go over the entire head. Begin at the middle of the back and, separating the hair into one-inch strands, brush each one with brisk upward strokes. After each third lightning-like stroke of the brush, stop and wipe the bristles on a clean, lintless towel to remove any oil and particles of dust or cuticle picked up.

Finish by fluffing your hair with your fingers and short strokes of the brush to air the scalp and remove any remaining specks of dust. To re-arrange your coiffure, brush the hair down to your head, the under layer of hair first then the top layers. Next, brush your waves or curls upward or back in the direction they should go and set them with your fingers and perhaps one of the new hairdressing combs to help you roll the end curls into place.

Wash Brush Daily

Wash your hair brush every day if possible—at least twice a week if you haven't time to make this a daily event. Swish the brush through soapsuds three or four times, and rinse in clear water. If your hair is excessively oily or troubled with dandruff, give your brush a final wash with several times during the week. Let it soak in a solution of one teaspoon formalin to a pint of warm water. Then shake the excess water from the bristles and dry the brush, bristles downward, on a Turkish towel.

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This rare picture shows General Francisco Franco, victorious Spanish commander, being welcomed at Gravesend, England, after a record-breaking flight to Cape Town and back in 4½ days.

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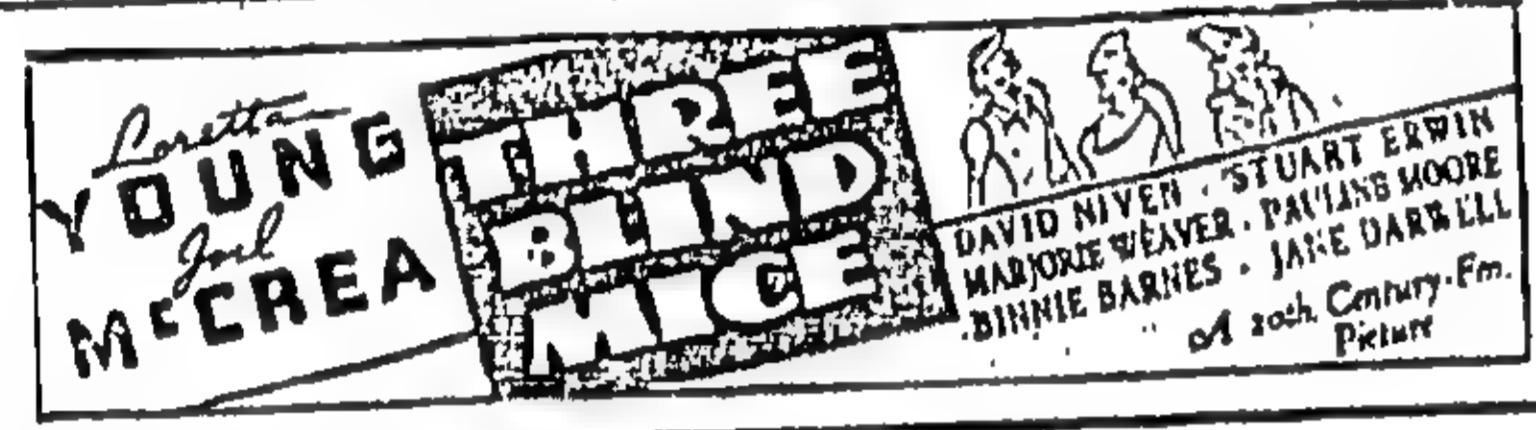
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DOMESTIC RIFT

Wife's Summons Against Her Husband

The hearing of a summons for assault, brought by So On-ping against her husband, Lau Kwan-yum, described as the Principal of the International Correspondence Fine Arts Academy, was continued before Mr. E. Hilmsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. The case has aroused much interest among the Chinese community, and a large number of spectators were in Court yesterday.

The couple were married in 1924, when defendant was employed as a teacher at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., and complainant was a teacher in the Italian Convent. According to the wife's story, shortly after they were married, she opened the Chee Yin Girls' School in Kowloon in order to help her husband, as his salary was insufficient to keep them.

Sixteen years later, complainant engaged a woman teacher to assist her, and her husband became infatuated with the teacher. From that time, there was trouble between husband and wife, culminating eventually in the former moving out and establishing his own school in Hom-mun-tin. The defendant took the woman teacher with him. He had demanded a divorce from his wife from time to time, but she had refused to give it to him.

On February 23 this year, complainant returned to her school, and found several signboards erected over her own. These bore the name "Kwan-Yum Evening School." Complainant ordered them to be removed, and her husband appeared on the scene. He was alleged to have struck her violently over the head, blackening her eyes, and also caused bruises on her body.

Mr. Alfred S. K. Lau represented complainant, while Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared for defendant.

Mr. Silva continued his cross-examination of complainant yesterday. She denied that her mother had ever borrowed money from defendant. He had not given her \$700 to buy clothes and other things at the time of their marriage. The school certificates were all written by her mother, and after seeing the signs, fetched a street coolie.

Witness helped him to take the signboards down. After two had been taken down, defendant appeared and struck complainant about the head with his fists. She fainted, and he kicked while she was on the ground. Witness later helped complainant to the police station and to see a doctor.

Cross-examined by Mr. Silva, witness said that during the two months she had been in complainant's employ, she had found her mistress good tempered. She did not see complainant attacking defendant on February 23.

Mr. Lau said that her evidence concluded his case, unless some of the doctors the complainant had consulted could be called as witnesses. Two were reluctant to appear, as the proceedings were in a police court, and the others charged a fee which was more than their client could afford.

Mr. Silva said he had no objection to an adjournment for the doctors to be subpoenaed as witnesses.

The hearing was adjourned to 2.30 p.m. on April 12.

SLOVAKS TAKE PRECAUTIONS

(Continued from Page 1.)

to the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post" even as early as September 20, nine days before the Munich agreement.

Continuing, Lord Cecil said that "the actions of the present German administration on several occasions show that they accept the traditional German view on such matters."

Lord Cecil forewarned: "Submission, therefore, to Herr Hitler means the extinction of Czechoslovak independence."

It means the breach of our treaty pledges on the subject."

"It means a great increase in the prestige of the Nazi Government, and a corresponding diminution of that of this country."

"Above all, it means acceptance of the view that the only thing that counts in international affairs is brutal force, and that the hope of substituting for it reason and justice must be definitely abandoned."

Central News.

BRUCE TO RETURN TO LONDON

Melbourne, Mar. 28.—Mr. Joseph A. Lyons to-day announced that the Government had decided that Mr. S. M. Bruce, Australian High Commissioner to London should return to London immediately.

He is sailing from Sydney on Friday.

The presence of Mr. Bruce in London during the present political tension is deemed to be desirable.

—Reuters.

HONGKONG REFUGEES

Latest Position in The Government Camps

The numbers of refugees and detainees accommodated in Government Camps in urban and rural areas are given officially as follows:

In urban areas, civilians—Kln's Park 1,489; for the week ending March 25 as compared with 1,511 on March 18; Matau-chung 1,046 as compared with 1,065; North Point 1,052 as compared with 1,045.

In urban areas, soldiers—In Lal-chukok Hospital (Upper Ward) 27 on March 25, same number on March 18; and Matau-chung 771, same number on March 18.

In rural areas—At Kam Tin 3,321 on March 25 as compared with 2,998 on March 18; Fanling, North 815 on March 25 as compared with 827; Fanling, South 1,002 as compared with 1,041; Gill's Cottages 650 as compared with 670 and Mun Kam To 1,147 as compared with 1,160.

The total for March 25 was 11,920, as compared with 11,711 on March 18.

LANCASHIRE LEAVES

The troopship Lancashire left Hongkong for Southampton via ports yesterday afternoon with about 100 military and over four hundred naval details and families.

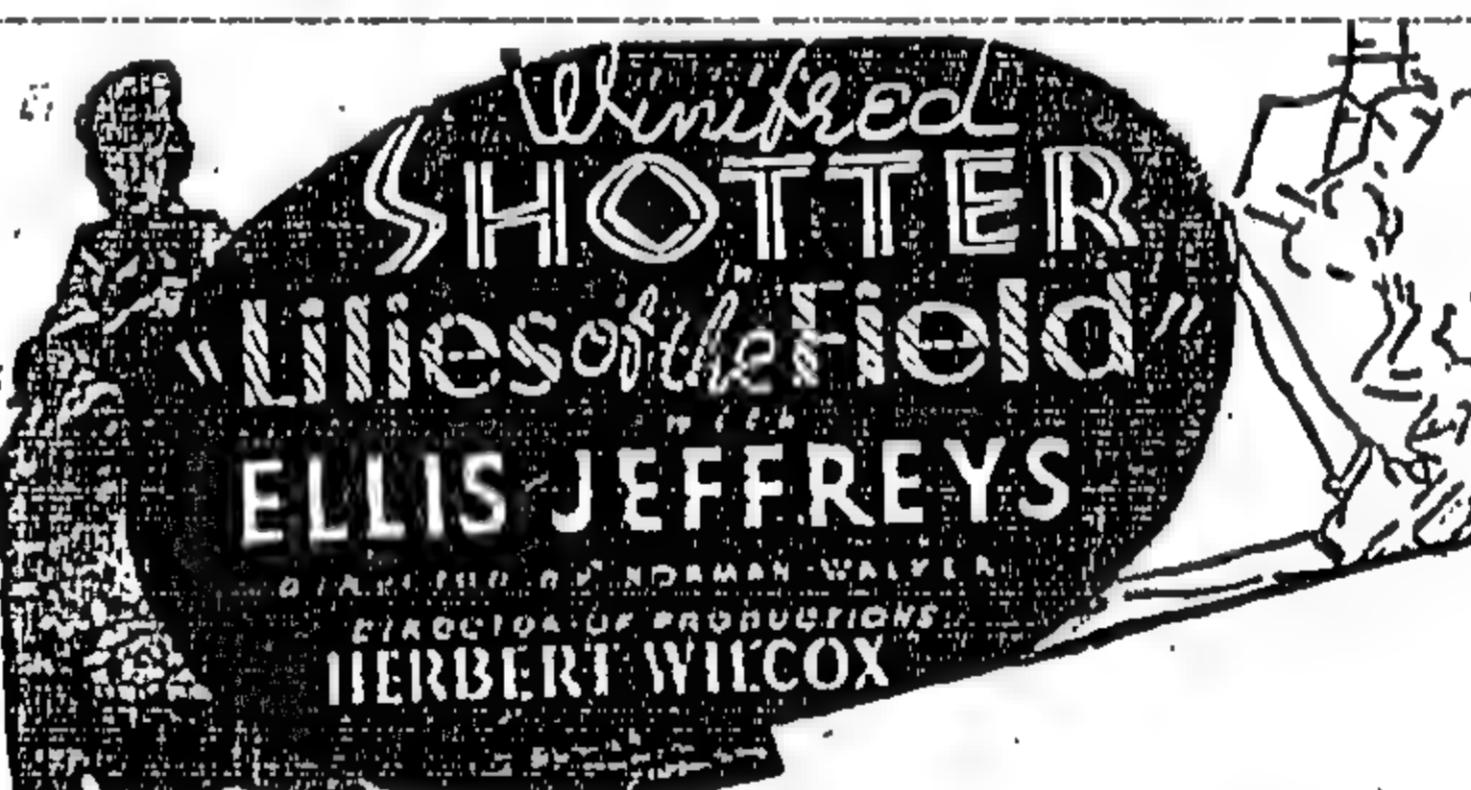
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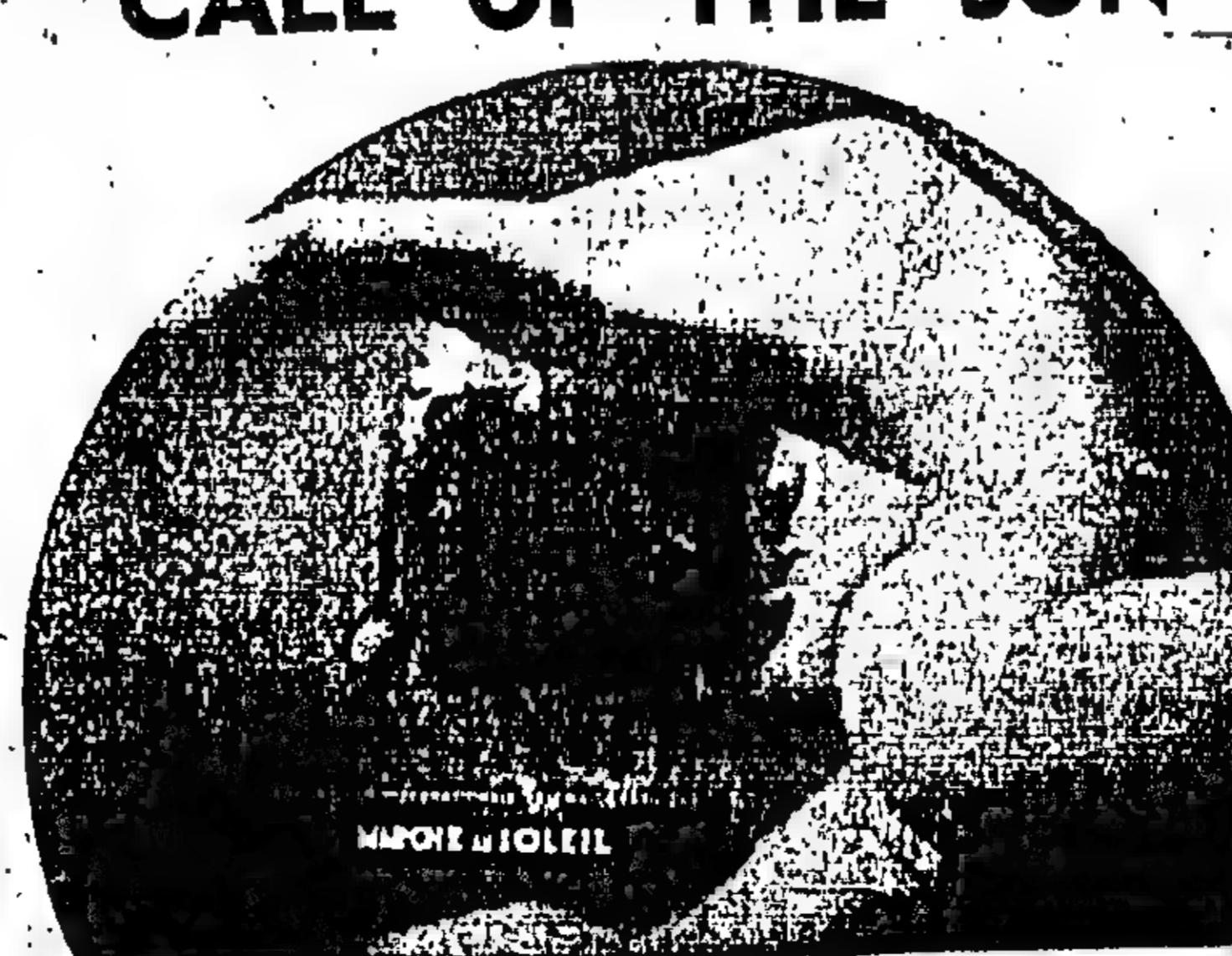
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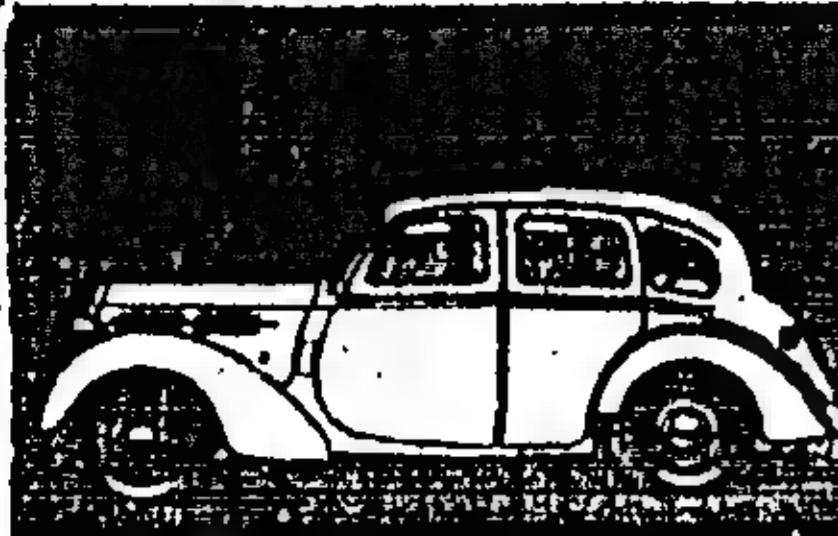
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NEW GERMAN MOVE AWAKENS FRESH FEARS

"The Danzig problem must be settled."

"Germany is shocked at the increased anti-Reich activities in Poland."

This is the type of statements issued in Berlin to foreign newspaper correspondents.

The sudden German propaganda campaign against Poland is regarded as ominous in diplomatic circles, in view of the parallel it has with previous German coups.

Reports of renewed anti-German rioting in Danzig and Poland evoke surprise everywhere except in Germany.

It is realised that the inspired reports, which are being released exclusively by the official Deutsch News Bureau, are a systematic attempt to undermine German-Polish relations.

No news has reached London of any untoward anti-German incidents, and certainly nothing has happened in either Poland or Danzig to justify the language employed by the D.N.B. Agency.

D.N.B. claims in official statements to foreign press correspondents that Germans are being beaten and threatened by the Poles. But D.N.B. refuses to specify where or when the alleged incidents are taking place.

It is noteworthy that this has been the form of preparation employed by German preceding the Austrian, Sudetenland, Czechoslovakian and Memel coups.

The official organ "Political Correspondent" warns that "anti-German acts" by Poland might result in consequences "deplorable to the future harmonious development of a European area and as harmful to the Polish nation itself."

This utterance is considered as being particularly significant because of the source of the warning—United Press.

GERMAN TROOPS MOVE

WARSAW, Mar. 29. RELIABLE REPORTS state that large numbers of German troops are moving into position near Danzig.

It is feared that Germany is commencing the same tactics against Poland as those employed against Czechoslovakia and Lithuania.

It is learned on good authority in Warsaw that the Polish Government has informed Germany that any discussions on the future of Danzig are out of the question.

The Polish Note is also stated to have added that there is no justification for the language used in the Berlin statement to the foreign Press.

From Yugoslavia it is reported that anti-German demonstrations are increasingly evident among the Croatians.

Text Of German Propaganda

This is the German message, as reported in Hongkong by "Trans-Ocean":

"The increasing number of anti-German demonstrations in Poland (Continued on Page 4.)

PENAL SERVITUDE FOR DYNAMITE SABOTEURS

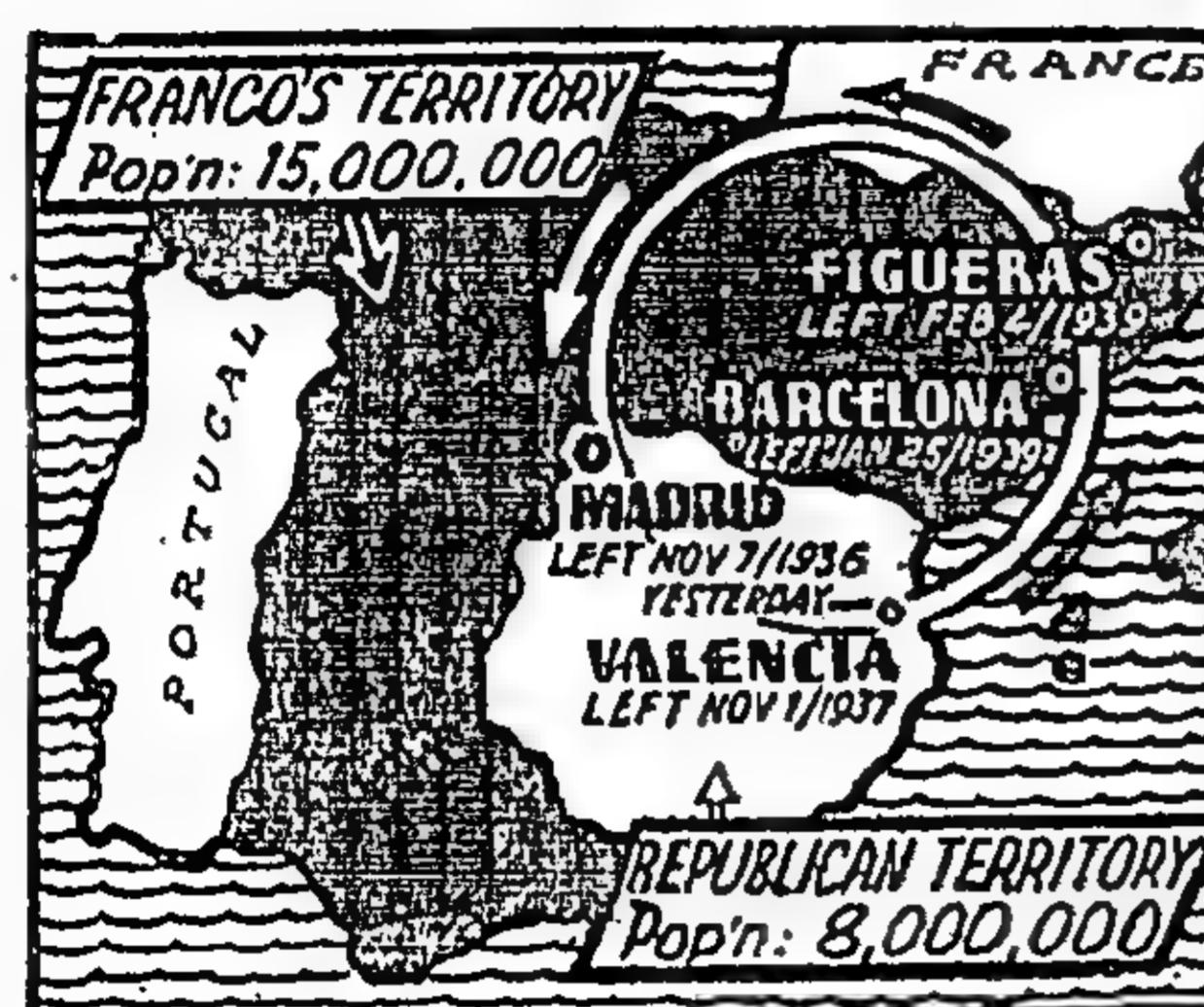
LONDON, Mar. 28. SUMMING UP in the Old Bailey trial in which eight men are being tried on charges of conspiring to cause explosions and arson, Mr. Justice Humphreys said to-day:

"When a person ceases to employ constitutional methods of altering the position of part of a British dominion, and employs methods of terrorism, and incendiarism, causing explosions, and rendering the life of respectable law-abiding citizens impossible then it is that the Crown invites those who are responsible for administering the law to act firmly, in doing what they can to suppress such illegal and dangerous acts."

"These men regard themselves as patriots. Let them be patriots. Let

Leaders Free To Paris

With their departure from Madrid yesterday the Republican Government has completed the circuit of their wanderings.



CIVIL WAR COLLAPSES IN SPAIN

Republican Leaders Flee To France

MADRID, Mar. 28.

AFTER NEARLY three years of a "little Great War," which threatened to engulf Europe, the conflict in Spain appears to have ended with the Nationalists' entrance into Madrid which was greeted by nearly a million survivors of the most terrible siege of modern times.

To finish the territorial conquest, there remains merely the cleaning up of a wedge shaped area extending from Easter southward to the Mediterranean. Other cities have not surrendered formally and unconditionally but their resistance is shattered and the people want peace.

Their soldiers have surrendered by the thousands and their leaders have fled.

General Miaja has left for the coast and it is reported that he will board a foreign warship at Valencia.—United Press.

"Viva Franco"

Madrid, Mar. 28. The surrender of Madrid was announced over the Madrid radio station by a Nationalist announcer who concluded by shouting: "Viva Franco."

The radio station was seized by the Nationalists yesterday morning.

A broadcast appeal was launched from all Nationalist stations, appealing to Republicans to surrender to prevent further bloodshed.

The appeal stated: "You can count on General Franco's sense of fair play. When General Franco promises a pardon, he keeps his word. It is useless to resist, and we urge surrender without delay."

Immediately after the entry of Nationalist troops into Madrid to-day, all political prisoners were liberated. They were mostly young (Continued on Page 4.)

As a further exceptional measure to increase tonnage, the Government would ask Parliament for £2,000,000 to purchase suitable vessels on the United Kingdom register which, although still capable of service, would otherwise be sold abroad, or broken up.

The latter vessels would only be brought out in an emergency, but would be maintained in condition.

Mr. Oliver Stanley also announced a grant not exceeding £500,000 annually for five years to be available to encourage the building of tramps and cargo liners.—Reuter.

Big Shanghai Hotel Deal

Broadway Mansions Changes Hands

TOKYO, March 29. BROADWAY MANSIONS, the twenty-storey skyscraper and largest hotel in Shanghai, changed hands to-day, and the Rising Sun is now flying above the building instead of the Union Jack, which was hauled down to-day.

Broadway Mansions has been purchased by the Shanghai Real Estate Company, subsidiary of the Central China Development Company, a Japanese semi-official concern. The Shanghai Real Estate Company has been chartered under the commercial law of the new Nanking Government.

On the occasion of the first anniversary of the founding of the puppet Government, the Union Jack was hauled down and the Rising Sun hoisted as the band played the Japanese national anthem.—Domei.

World Wheat Production

CANBERRA, Mar. 29. The world production of wheat this year is estimated at 1,100,000,000 bushels.

This is about double the quantity required for consumption.

A PRINCE TOOK THIS PHOTO

Europe's War Fever Slovaks Take Precautions



PRINCESS JULIANA of the Netherlands with Prince Bernhard and their daughter, Princess Beatrix, are at present on holiday at Grindelwald, near Interlaken, where they were joined by Queen Wilhelmina. Our photograph was taken while Princess Juliana and her daughter were being filmed by Prince Bernhard, who is an enthusiastic cinematographer. It was officially announced on February 3 that Princess Juliana is expecting a second child in August.

BRATISLAVA,

Mar. 28.

SLOVAKIA IS preparing for both peace and war.

While the Foreign Ministry directs peace negotiations by sending a Slovak delegation to Budapest in an effort to obtain peaceful withdrawal of Hungarian troops from the part of East Slovakia occupied on March 23, the National Defence Ministry has begun the task of assigning five classes of reserve officers and military, aviation and anti-aircraft forces to posts they must fill should peace negotiations at Budapest break down.—United Press.

New Lithuanian Government KAUNAS, Mar. 28.

A NEW LITHUANIAN Government has been formed under General Cernius.

Generally speaking, the new Government is semi-military, as there are three other Generals in the Cabinet, and it is a non-party Government.

The new Cabinet will present itself to Parliament this evening.—Reuter.

Germany's "Tradition"

It is unnecessary to accuse Germany of perfidy.

"Not only the Nazi Government, but all previous German Governments, from the time Frederick the Great downwards, have made their position perfectly clear. To them an International assurance is no more than a statement of present intention. It has no absolute validity for the future."

Thus Lord Cecil, President of the International Peace Campaign, wrote (Continued on Page 4.)

Australia Plans Indian Ocean Aerial Survey

CANBERRA, Mar. 28.

BECAUSE SINGAPORE may prove the Achilles heel in the existing air route between Australia and Great Britain, the Australian Government has decided to survey a new trans-oceanic route.

MINERALS SCANDAL

French Shipments To Germany

PARIS, Mar. 28.

A DEMAND that France should immediately cease big-scale shipments to Germany of minerals which are indispensable in the manufacture of armaments, was made in the morning paper here "Le Ordre."

The newspaper charges that the shipments are "permanent treason."

It reports that during 1938 France shipped to Germany an average of half a million tons of minerals monthly.

"This ore from Lorraine crosses the Rhine with the possibility of coming back to us sooner or later in the form of shells and shrapnel," the paper says.

According to the "Ordre," France is furnishing Germany with bauxite, which is not only used in the composition of certain metals but is also used by the Germans as part of an explosive in certain bombs.

Since 1935, the paper asserts, shipments of bauxite averaged approximately 80,000 tons yearly.

"In the present state of Hitler's expansion it can be said that these shipments are permanent treason, for there is nothing to prevent the Maginot line one day being crushed under attacks by planes built with French iron ore," the paper said.

United Press.

More French Sailors

British Navy To Abolish Flogging

PARIS, Mar. 28.

IT IS REPORTED that French naval effectiveness will be increased from 74,900 to 77,500, and recruiting for the extra men will begin immediately.

Another report states that M. Dandier will broadcast to the nation at 7:45 p.m. on March 29. He is expected to make some reference to Signor Mussolini's speech of Sunday just.

From London comes the report that the Admiralty has asked the Government to abolish flogging in the navy. Nowadays it is only retained in peace time for mutiny and allied offences. Flogging is not inflicted in the army and air force.—Reuter Special.

See Back Page For Further Late News

LATEST POLAND MOBILISES MILLION

"Trans-Ocean" Report From Warsaw

Paris, Mar. 28.

Extraordinary Polish military precautions, amounting to a partial mobilisation, are reported by the "Ce Soir" in a report from Warsaw this evening.

The paper declares that in course of the last four days, 750,000 reservists were called to the colours.

In addition to the 300,000 men called up last week.

Thus Poland has now mobilised more than one million men.

In addition, Poland is taking steps on a war-time footing.—Trans-Ocean.

Neutral legislation

New Bill Goes To Senate

Washington, Mar. 28.

SENATORS NYE, Bond, Bonnet and Clark to-day jointly introduced the amendment to the Neutrality Law.

The amendment would make the cash and carry feature mandatory instead of discretionary and extend them to include any materials instead of only munitions.

It would also empower either Congress by resolution or the President by proclamation to announce the existence of a state of war abroad.

Instead of limiting such action only to presidential proclamation.

The amendment has been referred to the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.—United Press.

Italians Arrested

Cairo, Mar. 28.

It is understood that 26 Italian labourers employed in the Aswan quarries of the vitally important Nile Dam have been arrested on suspicion of espionage.

They have been brought to Cairo under military guard.—United Press.

Joan Forgot Her Divorce

Los Angeles, Mar. 28.

JOAN CRAWFORD, famed film star, failed to obtain a divorce from her husband, Franchot Tone, another prominent film actor, which she filed last month, because she was not present to-day in court when the suit came up for hearing.

The judge set April 18 as the new date for the hearing.—Reuter.

HOLLYWOOD, Mar. 28.—Three members of the Provisional Government of Peiping have gone to Nanking to participate in the United Council of the Provisional Reformed Government.—Reuter.

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The King's Levee At Buckingham Palace

Many names familiar in Naval, Military and Air Force circles in Hongkong are included in the large number of presentations which were made to His Majesty King George at a recent Levee held at Buckingham Palace.

The final list of presentations will be published in the "Telegraph" to-morrow.

McLean, Second Lieutenant John, Royal Artillery, Territorial Army, on appointment, by Major-General Henry Newcome, c.s., c.m.c., p.s.o.

Madden, Lieutenant John, Irish Guards, on return from special service abroad, by Field-Marshal the Earl of Cavan, K.W., R.E., C.M.C., O.C.V.O., C.M.C.

Madox, Mr. George, by the Prime Minister.

Makinson, Major-General Vivian, D.S.O., on promotion and on appointment as Commander, 50th (West Lancashire) Battalion and on appointment as Colonel The Somerset Light Infantry, by the Secretary of State for War.

Major, Lieutenant John, on appointment to the First Sea Lord, c.s., c.m.c., p.s.o.

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Masterson, Second Lieutenant Douglas, Royal Engineers, Territorial Army, on appointment, by Major-General Harry Pritchard, c.s., c.m.c., p.s.o.

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Mason, Second Lieutenant Noel, D.S.O., Major-General, Royal Artillery, on promotion and on appointment to Command 19th Regiment, Royal Artillery, by Major-General Henry Newcome, c.s., c.m.c., p.s.o.

Masterson, Second Lieutenant John, Royal Horse Artillery, by Major Gerard Heath, M.C.

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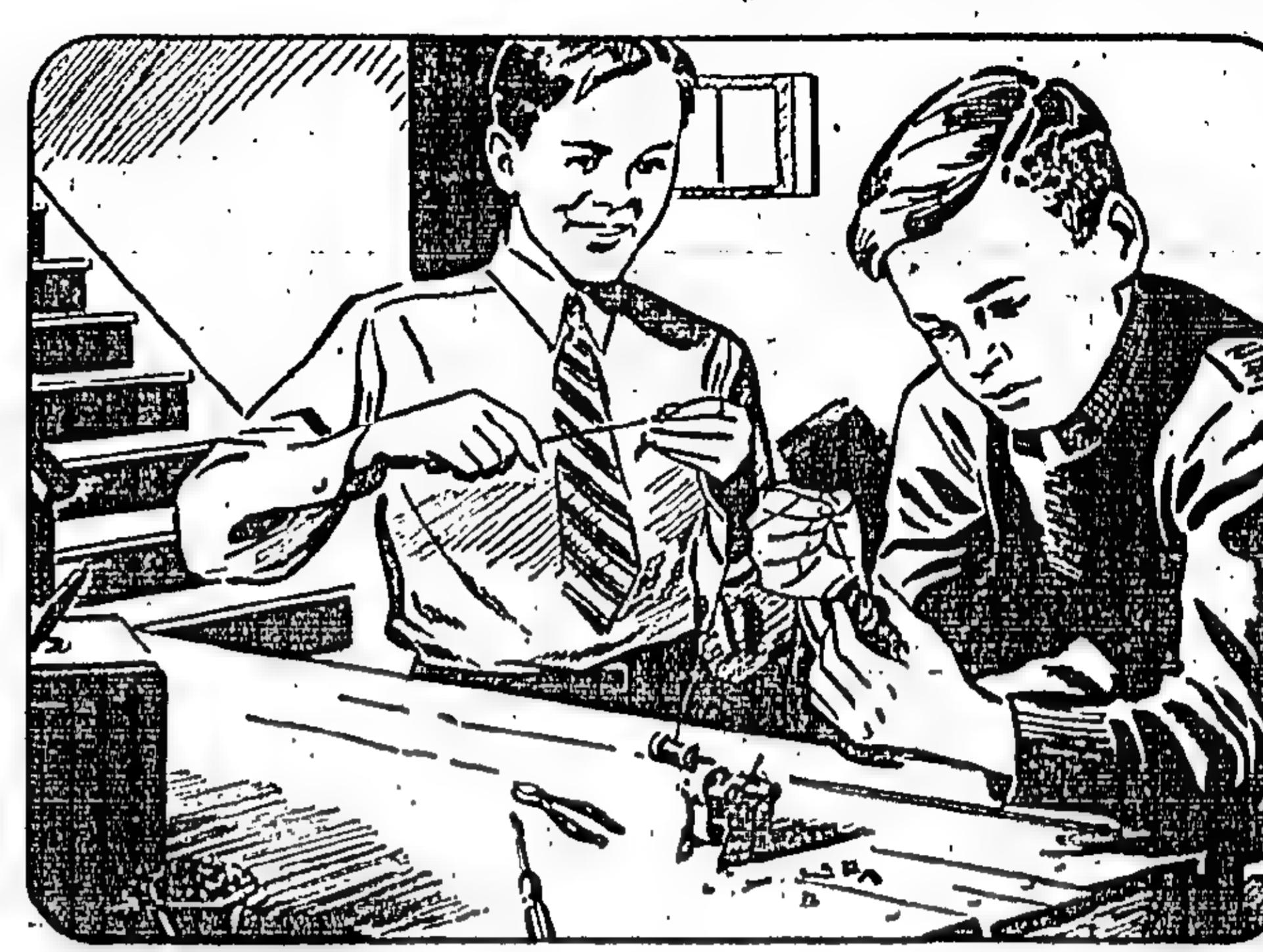
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3,000 Rifles On Training Ship

A document referring to 3,000 rifles on H.M.S. President, the training ship moored in the Thames at Blackfriars, was mentioned at Bow Street.

It was read when 10 men again appeared on charges of conspiring to cause explosions.

Mr. G. B. McClure, prosecuting, said the document, headed "I.O.B. Company," contained the following:

"A few things may be of interest to you. H.M.S. President has 3,000 rifles and equipment for 3,000 men. It is looked after by 12 men when not in use for training."

ASKED FOR £500

Another document was a letter dated January 6, 1938, to "CS."

Mr. McClure said: "I need not refer to that except to say that it asked for £500, and says 'Michael' will require a large sum to be carried out effectively."

"It refers to Southwark: by the name of Bankside, and says: 'We will devise some means of attacking this place even if it is to be a stick-up.' It asks for revolvers and ammunition."

Regarding a drawing of the magazine and guard room in Hyde Park, Mr. McClure said, "It describes the sergeants' habits, among other things."

There was laughter, in which some of the accused joined.

INCENDIARY PARCEL

Another document read: "Make a list of warehouses in your area, also big retail stores, containing inflammable material, or near same, for example, granaries, hardware, draperies, and so on."

Mr. McClure said it described how goods could be bought, and went on: "Include an incendiary parcel to ablate between nine and 12 Saturday night."

The accused were remanded. Eight men and two women accused at Manchester of conspiring to cause explosions were sent for trial.

Link With Bronze Age Bargainers?

CORNWALL, land of picturesque lore and legend, is being explored by a young archaeologist with results that may, if his claims are substantiated, throw light on several dark corners of its dim past.

The archaeologist, Mr. Stanley A. Opie, has been working in the Roseland area. His claims include:

Discovery of the fortress of King Geraint, who, as ruler of the West of England, is reputed to have traded tin to the Phoenicians.

Cornwall's tin, according to legend, was used to make the shield and helmet of Achilles, the Tuberacle of the Israelites and the Temple of Solomon.

Mr. Opie also claims to have found here the first encampment in Europe where tin was smelted through the Bronze Age and the Roman period.

Recent, Mr. Charles, by the High Commissioner for Southern Rhodesia, on appointment to command the Regiment, and on return from special service abroad, by Field-Marshal the Earl of Cavan, K.W., R.E., C.M.C., O.C.V.O., C.M.C.

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CHIEF PETTY OFFICER'S ALLEGATION OF FALSE IMPRISONMENT

Jenkins v. Shelley And Another

MR. JUSTICE HALLETT recently gave judgment in the High Court of Judgment for the defendants in the action, in which Mr. Eric John Arnold Jenkins, an engine-room artificer, 4th class, with rating as a chief petty officer in the Royal Navy, of H.M.S. Curacao, claimed damages for alleged false imprisonment from Captain Richard Shelley, commanding the Curacao, and the Earl of Cork and Orrery, Commander-in-Chief at Portsmouth.

Mr. Jenkins complained that on January 22, 1938, Captain Shelley, with the knowledge of and by the authority of Lord Cork and Orrery, caused him, without lawful justification, to be assaulted and falsely imprisoned for a period of 38 days in the naval detention quarters at Portsmouth and that as a result he had been brought into public scandal and odium.

By their defence the defendants said that Captain Shelley, with the approval of Lord Cork and Orrery, sentenced Mr. Jenkins to 42 days' detention because he had been guilty of highly insubordinate conduct in disobeying the lawful command of his superior officer. The defendants denied that in so detaining the plaintiff they acted without lawful justification, and they relied on the provisions of the Naval Discipline Act, 1870, and the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions.

It was stated that in January, 1938, shortly before 8.15 a.m., Chief Engine Room Artificer Mauger, the plaintiff's superior officer, entered the engine-room artificers' mess and gave the usual order to begin work, using some such words as "Come along lads, turn to." A few minutes later Mauger found that every one had left the mess except a stoker and the plaintiff. Mauger said to the plaintiff, "Turn to, Jenkins." The plaintiff then got up and said in the presence of the stoker, some such words as "Well, it has got to come at last, chief. I am not going to do any more work for the Admiralty. Will you tell the senior engineer when you go along?"

As a result of that occurrence a charge was made against the plaintiff, alleging that he "did wilfully disobey the lawful command of his superior officer when ordered to turn to at 8.15," and he was ordered by Captain Shelley to be kept in detention in the Portsmouth Naval Detention Quarters for 42 days, the punishment warrant being signed also by Lord Cork and Orrery as Commander-in-Chief. The plaintiff, in fact, served 38 days in detention, having received a remission of six days for good conduct.

The question, it was said, was whether in the circumstances the offence with which the plaintiff was charged was one which could be dealt with summarily or one which must be tried by Court-martial.

Section 17 of the Naval Discipline Act, 1866, provides as follows:—

"Every person to this Act who shall wilfully disobey any lawful command of his superior officer, or shall use threatening or insulting language

in the course of his duty, or behave with contempt to his superior officer, shall be punished with dismissal with disgrace from his Majesty's service, or suffer such other punishment as is hereinafter mentioned."

Under that Act an offence under section 17 could be punished by 42 days' detention, and might, subject to the regulations issued by the Admiralty from time to time, be summarily dealt with and punished by the captain. The regulations contained certain restrictions with regard to summary dealing with offences.

Chapter XII of the King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions dealt with "Discipline," and section V of that chapter with "Summary Punishments," and comprised articles 535 to 566. Table I of article 540 was headed "Index of Offences suggesting the normal maximum summary punishment that may be awarded for each." Section (d) of Table I prescribed detention as the punishment for "I. Wilful disobedience of orders."

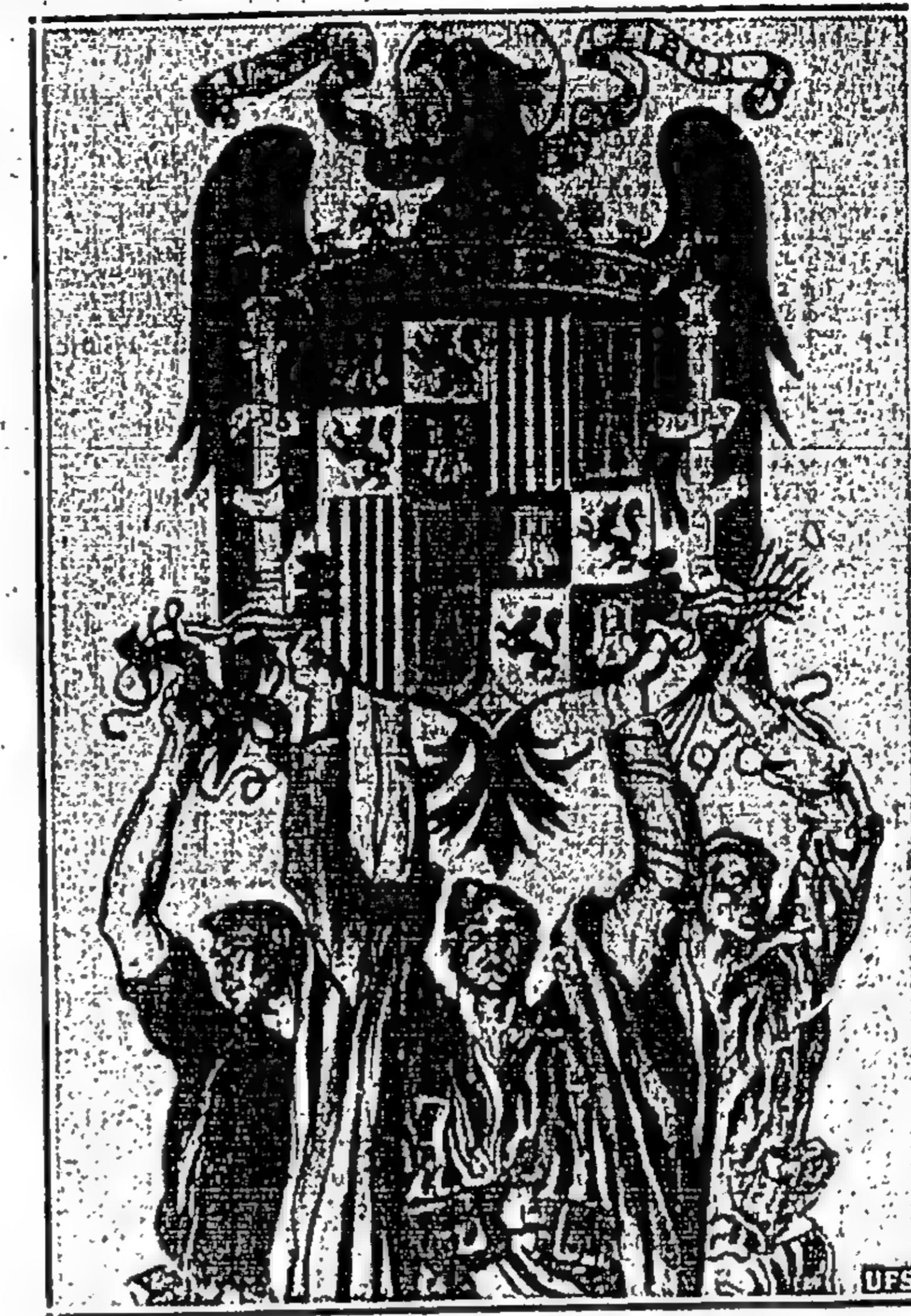
Article 552 provided that chief petty officers who could not be disciplined in a category which included the plaintiff, might be sentenced summarily to detention only for certain offences, which included highly insubordinate conduct.

Sir Stafford Cripps, K.C., Mr. Peter Palm, and Mr. Anthony Cripps appeared for the plaintiff; the Attorney-General (Sir Donald Somervell, K.C.) and Mr. H. L. Parker for the defendants.

JUDGMENT

Mr. Justice Hallett, giving judgment, referred to the fact that Captain Shelley had been prepared to give evidence that, before arriving at the decision recorded on the punishment warrant, he had addressed his mind to the question whether the plaintiff was guilty of highly insubordinate conduct, and had come to the conclusion that he was. Sir Stafford Cripps had intimated that he was prepared to treat that evidence as having been given and not challenged, but he submitted that it could be of no possible relevance.

It was contended for the plaintiff that the first defendant had no jurisdiction, in the circumstances of the case, to sentence him summarily to detention on the punishment warrant, and that that detention therefore amounted to a false imprisonment in point of law, for which both defendants were responsible and were liable to pay damages. The only questions which it was necessary to consider were whether Cap-



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should follow as closely as possible the wording of the appropriate section of the Naval Discipline Act.

Accordingly it was contended for the defendants that conduct rendering the offender guilty of any one of the three offences created by section 17 might amount to highly insubordinate conduct, and that the question whether it had been of the gravity described by those words was one for determination by the High Court. Counsel for the plaintiff, on the other hand, contended that wilfully disobeying the lawful command of a superior officer could not amount to highly insubordinate conduct, wilful disobedience being something merely passive, and its subordination being something in the nature of active defiance. He (his Lordship) was unable to take that view. In his opinion wilful disobedience to a lawful command of a superior officer would commonly and correctly be described as a kind of insubordination, although not of the only kind.

It was not disputed that the quality, as distinct from the nature, of the offence committed was the matter for consideration by, and only by, the persons entrusted with the duty of deciding how far the offender ought to suffer or escape the maximum punishment which could lawfully be imposed for that offence. Counsel for the plaintiff had further urged that the officer in command of the ship could not be the Judge of his own jurisdiction, but he (his Lordship) thought that it was clearly for such an officer to decide whether the person charged with wilful disobedience was guilty of that offence, and, if so, whether the quality of his offence was, in all the circumstances, sufficiently serious to bring it within the description "highly insubordinate conduct."

It was strongly contended for the plaintiff that Table I under article 540 prevented the Court from regarding wilful disobedience as a kind of insubordination which might amount to "highly insubordinate conduct," because "wilful disobedience of orders" appeared as the first offence mentioned in section (d) of the Table, which section was headed "Disobedience," whereas "Insubordination and Disrespect" was the heading of section (i) in the Table, "Insubordination" being the second offence mentioned in that section. In his opinion that Table could neither create fresh offences nor subdivide existing ones except with regard to suggested normal maximum punishments. Nor could the Table affect by such creation or subdivision the permissible mode of trying offences. Article 540 was only intended to deal with limitation of punishments, and ought not to be utilised so as to have the effect of dealing with jurisdiction to try offences summarily.

He came to the conclusion that the plaintiff was not sentenced without jurisdiction, and that his claim accordingly failed.

It was usual for the trial Judge in such circumstances to indicate the damages which he would have awarded to a plaintiff in case an appeal against his decision should succeed. In the present case, however, he (his Lordship) was in no better position to assess the damages than a higher Court would be. He therefore contented himself with saying that no suggestion had been made that the defendants were guilty of anything more than a bona-fide misapprehension as to the extent of the powers conferred on Captain Shelley by provisions which, as sufficiently appeared from the judgment, were not very easy to construe.

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"During the course of his conversation he casually produced a pack of playing cards.

"Pick one," he challenged.

I did.

"You've just picked the Queen of Hearts. It signifies for you that you'll be changing your residence at the end of the month."

I gasped, and patted my breast pocket, to make sure he hadn't glimpsed the lease I'd just signed for a new flat.

By this time a crowd of hard-holed reporters were gathering.

"When am I going on leave?" one challenged in a paper folded in a letter.

The visitor looked thoughtful.

"You've written something about a holiday," he said after a pause. "Yes, that's it. You're going on leave. You will leave Hongkong by the steamer *Potomak* next month."

Which, of course, is perfectly true.

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It wasn't the end of his demonstration of the powers of telepathy. He gave the number on a one-dollar Hongkong bank-note, casually taken from the pocket of one of his audience.

He told another reporter his birthday.

A cable sub-editor, his mind haunted by the possibility of more and more crises (and, of course, more and more cables) asked hopefully in writing whether there would be a war in Europe.

NO WAR

The visitor was quite confident. "You want to know if there'll be

NEWS IS KNOWLEDGE

QUESTION: Who is the tennis-player and amateur gardener who has just been installed as a Sultan?

ANSWER: Sir Abdul Aziz, the new Sultan of Perak, richest of the Federated Malay States.

Q. What happened at the installation?

A: The new Sultan was enthroned and underwent a ceremonial purification. Unlike other Malayan rulers, Sultans of Perak do not wear a crown.

Q. What are the new Sultan's interests in life?

A: He is one of the recognised experts on rice cultivation and knows as much about the subject as his British advisers.

His hobbies are tennis, golf and gardening. He has played in, and won, many tennis tournaments in Malaya against all comers.

BARTER AGREEMENT

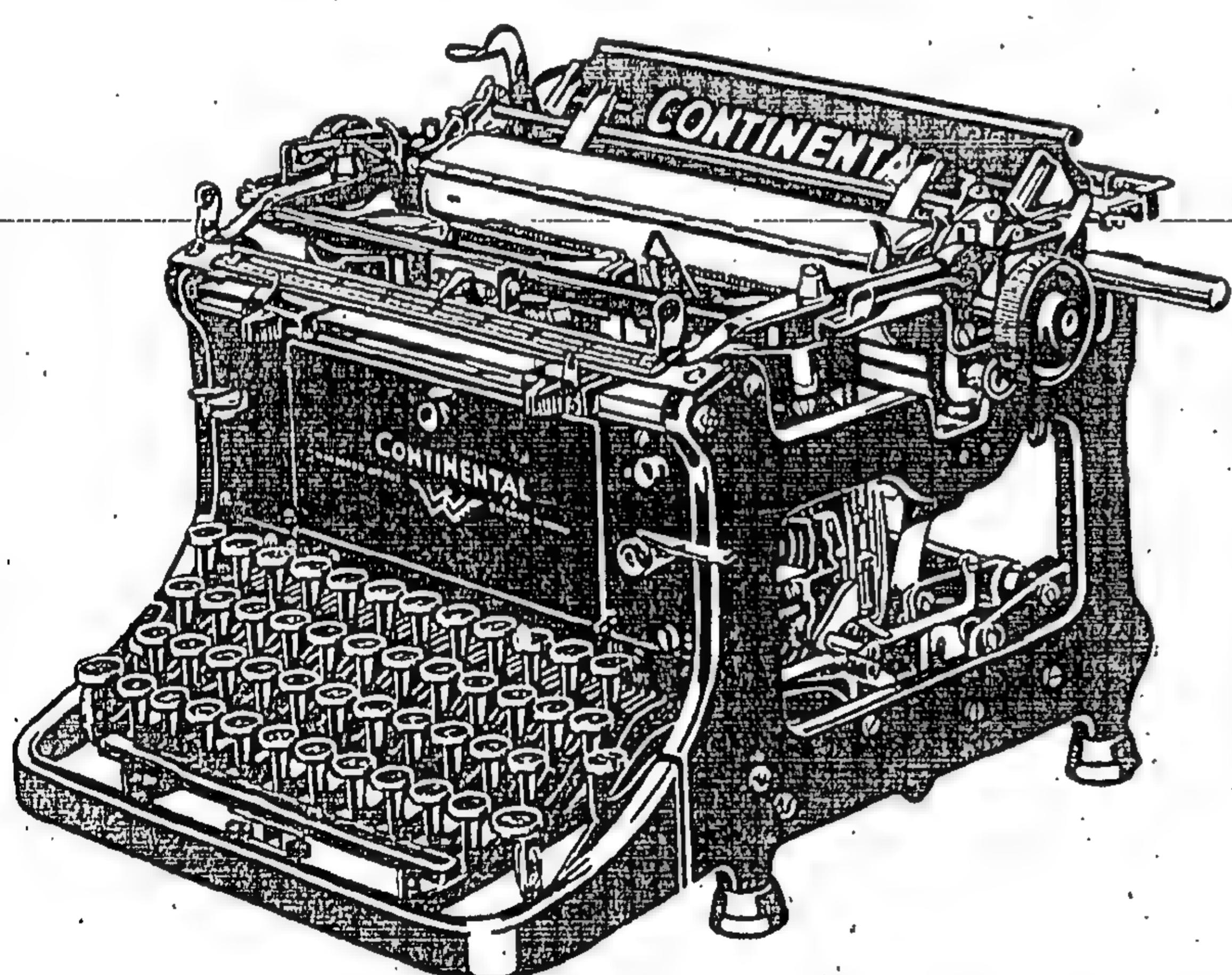
Germany and Argentina To Exchange Goods

Buenos Aires, Mar. 28.—Argentina and Germany have signed a barter pact whereby Argentina will export 100,000 tons of wheat and 8,000 tons of wool to Germany for six months. In return Germany will provide railway materials including 64 locomotives, sleeping cars and freight cars.—United Press.

Argus appears at all performances at the Queen's. His father, formerly of Scotland Yard, assists the demonstration by asking individual members of the audience if there are any questions they would like to ask.

RUSSIAN BALL

The Russian community in Hongkong will hold its Spring Ball (Easter) at the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday, April 11, from 8.30 p.m. to 2 a.m. During the evening, Gondorff's Ballet and a gypsy chorus will entertain.



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25 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1914.

It is reported from Brussels that both the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies have passed a Bill for the preservation of the battlefield of Waterloo, and to prevent projected building thereon.

After a prolonged Cabinet meeting Mr. Asquith announced in the House of Commons that Field Marshal Sir John French and Lieut. Gen. Sir John Ewart had resigned. The Government had requested them to remain and were awaiting their final reply.

General Gough is still at the Curragh.

Sir Edward Carson has left for London.

The U.S. Consul-General in Hongkong, Mr. G. E. Anderson, reports to Washington that although the chief portion of the Colony of Hongkong is an island composed almost entirely of a mountain ridge, in which roads have been constructed in the past only for pedestrians, sedan chairs, or rickshaws and mostly at extremely high grades, in recent years it has developed a considerable trade in automobiles. Some 40 or more are now in use in the colony, and three garages are doing a thriving business in renting cars for tourists' pleasure parties.

"There is a strong movement in the colony towards the improvement of all roadway in the lower levels and on the mainland portion of the colony so as to accommodate automobile traffic.

The extension of roadways into the interior of the mainland is difficult, in view of a range of high hills to be crossed, but a considerable amount of road building for military purposes has already been done, and further extension and widening of this system are being made as funds and opportunity are had. The prospects of considerably road extension for motor purposes are favourable, and it is probable that the extension of motor road to points near the Chinese frontier, particularly to Fanning, a popular golf course, will be made in the immediate future."

10 YEARS AGO

March 29, 1929.

General Ludendorff, who is now 60 years of age, is spending his declining days in fighting Freemasonry and Judaism, and in proclaiming the worship of the old German gods.

Today he was sentenced to a fine of £60, with an alternative of sixteen days imprisonment, for libelling an Army photographer, whom he described as a "Frenchman" in an article entitled "The Immorality of Freemasons".

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Captain D. D. Richards, acting master, Chinshui, has gone acting master, Shantung; Captain J. Beck, of the Illichow, has gone master, Chihli.

Captain E. M. Galtier, of the Kwei-

yang, has gone master, Huichow.

Captain R. H. G. Ashby, 2nd Home leave, has gone master, Kweiyang.

Captain A. N. Taylor, from reserve,

has gone master, Shansi.

Mr. A. Abner, chief officer, Yatshan,

is on reserve, Mr. T. Goffen, chief officer, Kuklung, has gone chief officer.

Mr. H. S. Paterson, chief officer, Shantung, has gone chief officer, Kuklung.

Mr. F. E. Noyon, has been appointed

second officer, Hupeh, Mr. A. M.

Buchanan, second officer, Hupeh, is on reserve.

Mr. F. J. Griffiths, chief officer,

Klangchow, is on reserve. Mr. J. H.

McLaren, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Klangchow.

Mr. D. B. Bowes, chief officer, Chen-

tu, is on reserve. Mr. W. Orwin, from

Home leave, has gone chief officer, Chenan.

Mr. H. Keen, from reserve, has gone

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H.K.T. 12.0-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Musical Comedy Selections.

"Swing Along"—Selection; "Debroy Somers Bunt with Vocal Chorus; "Student Prince"—Selection; "The Vagabond King"—Selection; Henry Croudon at the Organ of the Paramount Theatre, Manchester; "Sunny Side Up"—Vocal Gems; "The Love Parade"—Vocal Gems...Light Opera Company with Orchestra; "The State Homes of England" (Noel Coward); Hugh French, Ross Landen, John Gutrell, Kenneth Carter, (Male Quartet) acc. by His Majesty's Theatre Orchestra, London, cond. by Ben Franckel.

8.00 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Eric Coates' Compositions.

The Jester at The Wedding; Eric Coates and Symphony Orchestra;

A Song Remembered; Music Of The Night....John McCormack (Tenor) with Phine accomps. by Edw. Schneider; Saxo-Rhapsody...Sigurd Rascher (Saxophone) with Symphony Orchestra cond. by the Composer.

8.30 London Relay—"At The Black Dog".

Mr. Wilkes at home in his own parlour. Presented by S. E. Reynolds and Pascoe Thornton.

9.00 London Relay—"Empire Exchanges".

Points of view by travellers from the Dominions and Colonies.

9.15 Studio—Talk by Sir Atholl MacGregor on "The Activities of the Salvation Army in Hongkong and South China".

9.30 London Relay—"The News".

9.50 Band Music.

Selection of Wilfred Sanderson's Songs; Intro: Drums goes West; My Dear Soul; Captain Mac; The Company Sergeant Major; Friend o' Mine; Up from Somerset; Until...The Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Capt. Windram.

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11.00 Close Down.

Crossword Puzzle

BY LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS

1—Short sailors

2—League of medieval German town

3—Windos jutting

4—Lover of beauty

5—Lover of beauty

6—Lover of beauty

7—Lover of beauty

8—Lover of beauty

9—Lover of beauty

10—Lover of beauty

11—Lover of beauty

12—Lover of beauty

13—Add vivacity to

14—State standing

15—State standing

16—State standing

17—State standing

18—State standing

19—State standing

20—State



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Defence and Nutrition

THE DIFFICULTIES of assessing nutrition values and the fact that the scope of its inquiries embraces extraneous subjects which are required only for statistical purposes by the Colonial Office renders it certain that the sittings of the Hongkong Nutrition Committee will be protracted into 1940.

In the meantime, presumably, it is proposed that the Government should sit back and await the Committee's Report before attempting to so much as tackle the problem of mal-nutrition in this Colony.

It is abundantly clear, without calling for a Report from any Committee, that thousands of children and infants in Hongkong are being denied the nourishment they must have if they are to become healthy adult citizens.

We have been informed that the cost of a bowl of soup containing the requisite vitamins that will allow a mother to nourish her child is but one cent; that for less than \$40,000 per annum, the Society for the Protection of Children can provide one-free-bowl-of-soup-per-day in every day of the year to ten thousand mal-nourished mothers.

Although this Colony can, reluctantly perhaps, find sufficient revenue to pay six million dollars per annum to the Imperial Government as a contribution towards Imperial Defence, it can distribute but a fraction of this sum for charitable purposes. The Colony has spent enormous sums since the beginning of the century on Defence Contributions—it would not be an overstatement to say that the total in the past four decades has exceeded \$100,000,000—and the net result is that, if the entire population of Hongkong were wiped out tomorrow, the loss in human life would be infinitely less than it, in the same period, a tenth part of \$100,000,000 had been spent in tackling the problem of the under-nourished child.

Statistics reveal that the Colony's infantile mortality ranks amongst the world's highest—Incomplete returns show that approximately one in every three infants dies before it reaches the age of twelve months. Death is caused in the majority of cases, not by lack of attention from the infant's mother, but from lack of nourishment from the mother's breasts.

We are conscious of the fact—the War Office has been at pains to make it public this year—that the cost to the Imperial Government of maintaining the Army Garrison in Hongkong is five-fold the amount annually remitted to London as this Colony's defence contribution. At the same time, we are not convinced that the bargain is a good one. The garrison is not here primarily to protect the citizen of Hongkong; it is here as an integral part of the British defence system in the Pacific, and we have no doubt that, if strategy dictated such a move in time of war, Hongkong would quickly be left to its fate, despite our substantial contributions towards the upkeep of the Army.

We realise that it is only just and right, in these times of international stress, that this Colony should contribute substantially towards the common defence of the Empire. But we are convinced that in no part of the Empire is a Government called upon to contribute twenty per cent of its total revenue, both municipal and general, towards the upkeep of the Army.

Whichever way we look at it, we cannot see but that expenditure on legitimate undertakings for the common weal of the taxpayer is being starved in order to distribute an unfair and undue proportion of the revenue for military undertakings. It must be obvious that a lessening of the Defence burden would result in a proportionate increase in real

They Were Not Afraid To Die

pot was unaccountably short. Oates's feet were much worse.

On March 10 Scott's diary reads: "Things steadily downhill"; on March 11, "Oates is very near the end, one feels." They divide up the medical means of ending their lives.

On March 17 Oates managed to struggle on with them till they camped. That evening, with a blizzard raging outside, he got up and said, "I am just going outside and may be some time." They never saw him again. He walked out to his death so that he should no longer be a drag on them. He not only gave them another chance, but spared them the pain of watching him die.

But the survivors were in little better condition. The extreme cold and the blizzards continued. On March 18, Scott writes: "My right foot has gone, nearly all the toes." And a day later: "Amputation is the least I can hope for, but will the trouble spread?"

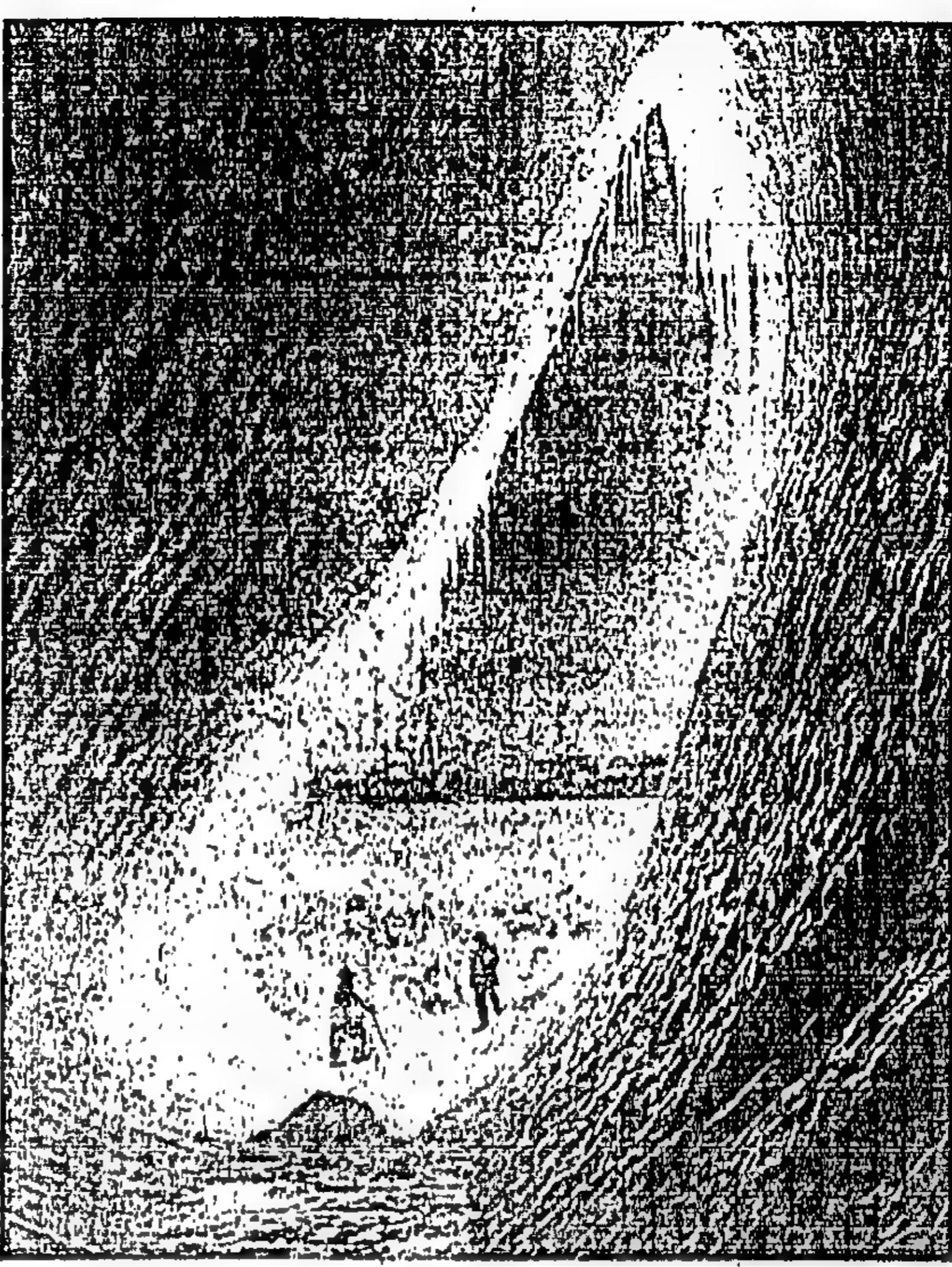
That night, the 20th, they camped only eleven miles from their next depot. It was their last camp. They had food for only four days and practically no fuel.

On March 29 comes the last entry. They had decided that it should be a natural death. Seven months later the search party found them lying in the tent, as if asleep.

There have been many post-mortems held on the fate of Scott and his companions. There is nothing that can be added now. Scott's own "Message to the Public," written in those last days, explained the major reasons. "The causes of the disaster are not due to faulty organisation, but to misfortune in all risks which had to be undertaken."

Their failure was due first and foremost to the weather, which was far worse than they could reasonably have expected from previous experience. Next, the shortage of paraffin at the depots, which Scott could not explain, but was due to seepage through the faulty stoppers of the tin containers. Then, according to Mr. Cherry-Garrard, one of the zoologists of the expedition, the food allowances were inadequate, both as regards calories existent. Even on full rations they were undernourished.

Their morale severely shaken, they pushed on, gradually weakening. It suddenly became much colder. Temperatures fell to minus 30 degrees F. by day and minus 40 degrees F. by night. The oil supply at their next de-



By DONALD HODSON

Even at this late stage there was little wrong with anyone in the Polar party. When Lieutenant Evans (now, Admiral Sir Edward Evans) turned back covered with frost-bite blisters, Oates suffered from frozen feet. Blizzards overtook them, and their marches were dangerously short. Wilson suffered agonies from snow-blindness. Evans cut his knuckle and it festered. His fingernails were now rotting and falling out.

More accidents beset them. Wilson strained a tendon, Scott slipped on the ice and hurt his shoulder, and by the time they reached the glacier head and left the plateau Bowers was the only fit man.

They started down the glacier on February 8. On the way down Evans fell and concussed himself, and on February 17, at the foot of the glacier, he had another fall, was brought in on the sledge, and died the same night without recovering consciousness.

The cold and the wind began to get the better of them. On the high plateau the temperatures averaged minus 10 degrees Fahrenheit, 51 degrees of frost, and this, with a wind of anything up to gale force. At the Pole itself the temperature was

minus 22 degrees Fahrenheit. Their morale severely shaken, they pushed on, gradually weakening.

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"I ASKED MUSSOLINI"

Second article of a new series in which questions are put to the Duce by an interpreter—and answered from Mussolini's "My Autobiography."

Q. Some say you are Hitler's puppet. Is it true?

A. "Our record in international affairs indicates a sleepless vigilance to build peace and make friends. More peace, more friends.

"We yield nothing of our autonomy nor do we allow our power to be used as pawn by others." (p. 206.)

"Speaking of foreign policy in relation to the different groups of Powers, I summarised my thoughts with this definition: 'We cannot allow ourselves either a plan of insatiable altruism or one of complete subservience to the plans of the other peoples. Ours is a policy of autonomy, then. It shall be firm and severe.'" (pp. 204-5.)

"I am rated as a leader who preaches and not one who follows." (p. 151.)

Q. You have 215,000 Germans in South Tyrol, south of the Brenner Pass. Do you think you

service to the public. The most urgent service we can think of is the welfare of the nation—of saving some of the thousands of lives that are being sacrificed to-day on the altar of mal-nutrition.

will always be able to keep them, in view of the rising tide of Hitler's Pan-Germanism?

A. "... We find ourselves at the Brenner Pass now, and... at the Brenner we will remain at any price." (p. 120.)

"... the sacred limits of the Brenner." (p. 130.)

Q. How long do you think you and Hitler will stick together?

A. "Only in front of the magnitude and suggestiveness of danger, only after having lived together in the anxieties and torments of war, can one measure the soundness of a friendship or measure how long it is destined to go on." (p. 31.)

Q. But on the last occasion Germany, Italy and France were allies. Italy let down Germany and entered the great war on the side of the Allies. Why?

A. "Italy had renewed the Triple Alliance.

"It had been a marriage without respect and without trust, brought about more in order to counterbalance military power than by political necessity.

"As a matter of fact the treaty called only for action if one or more of the nations of the Triple Alliance was assaulted by a nation outside the alliance. We were kept in the dark, as I well knew. That was enough to break the pact—to free us from further obligations to that

"One of the first courageous actions in which Italy showed the measure of her independence and strength was recognition of this." (p. 38.)

Q. What did you think of Germany's action in the war?

A. "Public opinion in Italy was deeply moved facing war with its German invasion of East France. There was the description, with horrific details, of German methods, and, above all, the every sense of right and humanity..."

"The future not of one nation, but of many nations, was on the scale. ... There was also the feeling of common culture which was compelling us to forget past and present quarrels. I could not bear the idea that my country might abandon those who were crushed under the weight of war and unwarranted misfortune." (p. 39.)

Q. Hitler confessedly aims at world domination. What did you think of German ideas of domination in those days?

A. "A handful of intelligent and strong-willed men began to ask themselves if it was really right for Italians to lend themselves to the political aims of the King of Prussia, and it was good for the future of Italy and of the world. ... The putting of that question was my

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**OVERNIGHT
NEWS PAGE**
Polish Corridor
**LATEST
GERMAN
PROPOSAL**
**Abolition Of Danzig
Commissionership**

London, Mar. 28.
According to the *News-Chronicle*, Germany has sent a note to Poland with reference to Danzig, proposing that the Danzig High Commissionership be abolished, that any settlement be confined to Germany and Poland alone and that all rights in Danzig revert to Germany with the exception of certain port rights which Poland will enjoy.

The *News-Chronicle* says Poland is considering the note carefully, and that the proposals form the one reason for Poland's hesitation to join the "Hitler" bloc.—United Press.

Defence Loan

Warsaw, Mar. 28.
Appealing to the nation to subscribe generously to the £48,000,000 internal defence loan, Gen. Skwarczynski, leader of the Government party, declared to-day that Poland visualised war in the future as an era of fresh successes for the invincible Polish army.

He added that the Poles regarded the events of historical importance occurring near the frontiers mainly because they were confident of their own strength.—Reuter.

German Press Campaign

Berlin, Mar. 28.
Agitation about the treatment of Germans in Poland which was begun yesterday continued to-day in the Essen *National-Zeitung* which has connections with General Goering.

The newspaper, under the heading "Indelible burden on German-Polish friendship," said the impression is gaining ground that the Polish authorities are not masters of the situation and make only feeble efforts to keep control. It is claimed that German men, women and children are systematically attacked, German farms and houses are attacked under cover of darkness and German shops boycotted.

The paper says that hitherto the German public opinion has been silent, hoping it is only a question of isolated incidents.

"This silence is no longer possible, for the steady intensification of the campaign and its non-suppression by the Polish authorities represent in the long run an intolerable burden on German-Polish friendship."

A message from Gliwitz says that German workmen in Upper Silesia can get neither bread nor work.—Reuter.

Russia
**Big Troop
Movements
On Borders**

Warsaw, Mar. 28.
Information from Moscow says that the Soviet authorities were massing large military forces along the borders of Latvia and Estonia.

Due to the congestion of troop trains, the international express train from Moscow arrived here three hours behind schedule on Monday.

Most of the fresh reinforcements for Soviet border guards were sent from the White Russian Military District.

It is understood that the Soviet troop movements have been prompted by the reported opening of negotiations of unknown nature between Germany and Latvia.

The Soviet authorities were also reinforcing their defence forces along the border of Rumania near Bessarabia by mobilising the troops from the Ialikov and Caucasian Military Districts.—Dowell.

NEW HOSPITAL
**Appeal for Money to Cover
Cost of Building**

London, Mar. 28.
Efforts are being made to complete the entire cost of rebuilding Westminster Hospital on the new site close to that opposite the Abbey which it has occupied for over 100 years, before the new building is opened by the King next month. An appeal for £100,000 was issued on March 8 and so far £60,000 has been raised, including a gift yesterday of £25,000 by the Chairman of the Hospital, Mr. Bernard Docker.—British Wireless.

Spelling Bee

How many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

floriferous sanguine
foliaceous slosmograph
sedentary omonolated
English Oxford Dictionary spelling
of these words will be found on page 9.

Latest Spain Situation

MADRID FALLS: SURRENDER FLAG HOISTED: FIGHTING IN THE STREETS

General Franco's Insurgent troops after practically completing their surrounding of Madrid yesterday entered the former Republican capital from which General Casadas and other leaders had fled.

Having received no definite reply from the Loyalist Council of Defence to his demand for the surrender of the capital, General Franco ordered a new offensive. Artillery exchanges rocked the city earlier, and although resistance had been feeble, the insurgents met unexpected opposition in the streets on the outskirts of the city.

Several Loyalist posts in the suburbs first surrendered and many prisoners of war have been captured.

On the southern front success is attending General Franco's drive. The offensive culminated yesterday in the capture of the important city of Almaden, where the world's richest mercury mines are situated. The city has been in the Loyalists' hands since the outbreak of the war in 1936.

Madrid, Mar. 28.
Colonel Casado has ordered the demobilisation of all recruits awaiting instructions to rejoin the forces. This is regarded as confirming reports that the Republicans do not intend to resist Franco further.—Reuter.

Positions Abandoned

Paris, Mar. 28.
The Loyalists have abandoned a number of positions on the outskirts of Madrid, according to a Havana message from Burgos. Whole units are stated to have surrendered to the insurgents south of the city.—Reuter.

Fall Imminent

Madrid, Mar. 28.
Early this morning General Franco's troops believed that the occupation of Madrid was imminent, despite the unexpected resistance in the streets where the advancing troops frequently met musketry fire.—United Press.

Generals Surrender

Hendaye, Mar. 28.
General Mijia, accompanied by two members of the Madrid Junta, Generals Manuel Matallana and Leopoldo Menendez, have arrived at Valencia by motor car. It is reported that General Mijia is ready to surrender authority to General Franco.—United Press.

Madrid Surrenders

Madrid, Mar. 28.
After a siege lasting nearly two and a half years, Madrid has surrendered.

White flags were hoisted throughout the city to-day, but it is not yet known when the Nationalist troops will enter. General Casado has left his headquarters. The central army has surrendered, acting under the orders of their chief, Colonel Prados.

It is believed that General Franco will enter Madrid on April 1.—Reuter.

To Hand Over

Madrid, Mar. 28.
A broadcast message at noon to-day announces that the Republican leader, Colonel Vazquez Prado, has assumed command of the Madrid garrison until occupation of the city by Nationalist troops.—Trans-Ocean.

Nationalist Troops Arrive

Madrid, Mar. 28.
At 11.50 a.m. Nationalist troops were already in the streets of north Madrid, advancing towards the centre.

All night long troops streamed from all fronts which are now deserted. Using special light units created for this offensive, which was headed by cavalry, the Nationalists carried their advance with practically no resistance. Three companies carrying white flags passed over their lines.—United Press.

Nationalists in Control

Madrid, Mar. 28.
The Nationalist salute with extended arm is now seen everywhere. The news spread like wildfire and Republican flags disappeared as if by magic.

The city exits are thronged with fugitives fearing reprisals and they are desperately seeking means of escape, but cars are scarce owing to a petrol shortage. The streets are filled with soldiers who have abandoned the front lines. Republican banknotes are refused in shops.

It is not known where General Casado, Chief of the Republican forces, has fled, but he left Madrid before its surrender.

The Police look on indifferently while Nationalist supporters demonstrate.

The first troops to enter the city will be those from University City.—Reuter.

SOUTHERN OFFENSIVE

Burgos, Mar. 28.
The insurgents were given a tremendous welcome when they occupied Almaden, the centre of the greatest mercury mines in the world, which has been in Loyalist hands since the outbreak of the war. According to an eye-witness the Loyalists offered less resistance in the past 24 hours than on the first day of the new offensive.

An insurgent communiqué claims that offensives in the Cordoba and Toledo sectors have resulted in the capture of over 10,000 prisoners and large quantities of war material.—Reuter.

Indian Maharaja Weds American

Indore, Mar. 28.
The Maharaja of Indore announced here at a special durbar that while in Europe he married an American lady, Miss Margaret Lawler.

It is understood that he met Miss Lawler in California several years ago.

This is the Maharaja's second marriage. He stated that it will not affect the line of succession.—Reuter Special.

Lithuania

Composition Of The New Cabinet

London, Mar. 28.
The Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Butler, told the Commons yesterday that the British Government had now been informed officially by the Lithuanian Government of the cession of Memel to Germany. On receiving this communication the British Government had expressed to the Lithuanian Government their sympathy in the situation in which the latter had been placed.

Mr. Butler added that as both last December and on March 16 the British Government had made it clear, in reply to enquiries addressed to them as a signatory of the Memel Convention, by the Lithuanian Government, that they could only endeavour to secure respect for the Memel Statute in so far as this lay in their power, it was understandable in the circumstances of the case that the Lithuanian Government had acted in signing the treaty with Germany on the evening of March 22 without consulting the signatory powers.—British Wireless.

The New Cabinet

Kuunas, Mar. 28.
The New Lithuanian cabinet is composed as follows: Prime Minister, Brigadier General Cernius; Deputy Prime Minister, M. Bizauskas; Foreign Minister, M. Furys; Minister of the Interior, Brigadier General Skucus; Minister of Justice, Tamasaitis; Minister of Finance, General Sutkus; Minister of Education, M. Bistras; Minister of Agriculture, M. Kriksciunas; Minister of Communications, M. Germonas; Minister of National Defence, Colonel Musteklis.

The new Cabinet represents a coalition of the Government and Opposition parties.

The latter are represented by the Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Education, and Minister of Agriculture.—Trans-Ocean.

INQUIRY INTO W.P.A. Republicans Allegue Graft And Corruption

Washington, Mar. 28.
Members of the administration in the House of Representatives to-day voted 332 to 27 authorised an exhaustive inquiry into the Works Progress Administration. Republicans declared that the inquiry would show that relief was rife with graft, corruption and mismanagement.

Democrats assert that the inquiry will clear the W.P.A. of such charges.—United Press.

MARCH ON CAPITAL

Washington, Mar. 28.
The Workers' Alliance has started a 3,000,000 employees of the W.P.A. to determine if they are in favour of a "job march" on Washington if Congress fails to appropriate additional \$100,000,000 for relief.

Mr. Herbert Benjamin, general secretary of the Alliance, said that ballot have been made to every city and town with W.P.A. offices. The ballots must be marked and returned by April 10.

Plans for a protest march will be worked out later if the relief workers approve of the proposal.—United Press.

Romania

Appeal For Change In Regime

Bucharest, Mar. 28.
An appeal for a change in the regime in Romania in the interests of national unity is contained in a memorandum addressed to King Carol by 33 former Prime Ministers, including M. Maniu, leader of the National Peasant Party.

The appeal expresses regret that during the recent crisis the King did not invite the leaders of all the old political parties to discuss the situation with him in addition to the Government, and declares that the King recently assumed too much responsibility and authority.

It demands the establishment of a regime of National Unity and National Faith, having direct contact with the people.—Reuter.

INVITATION BY ROMANIA

Bucharest, Mar. 28.
Addressing the Grand Council of 150 members convened for the first time since the founding of the State, M. Catilina gave an assurance that all the other nations were welcome to conclude an agreement similar to the trade accord between Germany and Romania.

An emphatic denial was made in answer to a question whether in accordance with the principles of the League of Nations Romania had infringed Romania's independence.—United Press.

PACT WITH SLOVAKIA

Berlin, Mar. 28.
The text of the German-Slovak clearing agreement was published yesterday. Although the agreement will not become effective until the documents of ratification are exchanged in Bratislava, it had been previously force since March 23.

A provision is made in this agreement for a regulation of the clearings through a German clearings bank and a Slovak national bank, which is to be founded in Bratislava. The agreement covers all ordinary trade between the two countries but does not apply to transit or ocean traffic.—Trans-Ocean.

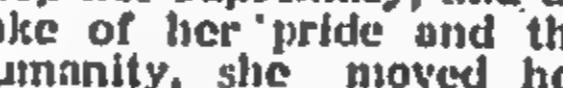
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most distinguished effort at journalism." (pp. 39-40.)



Q. What do you think of England's part in the war.

A. "I watched England; she was pondering deeply upon the step to take, and then, in order to keep her supremacy, and also for the sake of her pride and the sake of humanity, she moved her formidable war machinery and quickened the organisation of new armies to snatch from Germany's grip the control of the old Continent." (pp. 38-39.)



Q. Hitler condemns the Treaty of Versailles, which resulted from this war. What do you think of it?

A. "The event for Europe was the end of a nightmare. The continual disillusionments, the reserves and permanent danger, and reason for anxiety for many nations. The conclusion of the Treaty was, therefore, for them, a liberation.

"For Italy, on the contrary, it was a complete shattering of ideals. 'We had won the war,' we were utterly defeated in the diplomatic battle. We were losing the whole of Dalmatia, our land by tradition and history. . . . The colonial problem was resolved for us in an absolutely negative way." (p. 69.)



Q. What do you think of your new friends, the Jugoslavs?

A. "The Serbian mentality which did, and still does, work itself along the subterranean tunnels of secret societies. . . ." (p. 35.)



Q. How would you define a good politician?

A. "True men, in politics, must be animated by the human and devout sense; they must have regard, a love and a deep vision toward their fellow-creatures. And all these qualities must not be destroyed by dissimulations, or rhetoric, or flattery, or compromises, or servile concessions." (p. 85.)



Q. And do you fit this definition?

A. "On this ground at least I am proud to know myself as one who is not to be suspected—ever—in myself—and feeling as to my strength."

Princess Alice

London, Mar. 28.
Princess Alice, sister of King George VI and her husband, the Duke of Athlone, will leave England on April 11 to pay a visit to Iran. It is expected to last about one month.

The purpose of the journey has so far not been disclosed.—Trans-Ocean.

Shanghai

Japanese Succumbs To Wounds Daring Assassination Perpetrated

Shanghai, Mar. 28.
The shooting occurred when Alar Mukino, who is assistant chief of the personnel section at the Shanghai Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company's mill, was shot through the head while in a rickshaw going through the Yangtsepo district. He was picked up by Japanese gendarmes and conveyed to Japanese headquarters and later to the infirmary of the cotton firm where he died.

Mukino was a member of the Japanese Residents' Corporation. All traffic was immediately suspended after the shooting as the Japanese authorities halted vehicles going in either direction at Yangtsepo and instituted a minute search. A Japanese naval landing party and Japanese gendarmes threw a cordon around the scene of attack. Several Chinese were detained for questioning.

One cartridge shell proved to be the only tangible clue.

The shooting was particularly daring, as it took place in a heavily patrolled area in the vicinity of the Japanese wharves. Shooting north of Soochow Creek has been an extremely rare occurrence. There has also been a dearth of shootings in the foreign areas since police precautions were put into effect.

One suspect was detained in the neighbourhood of the crime, according to a Japanese spokesman at today's press conference.—Reuter.

TENNIS CHAMPIONS NOT PRESSED BY OPPONENTS

TSUI BROTHERS ENTER 3RD ROUND OF DOUBLES

Though rain threatened all the time to drive players and spectators alike to shelter, it held off throughout the doubles match yesterday between the Tsui brothers and Omar Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain in the Colony Tennis Championships; but neither the conditions nor the state of the court were conducive to really good play.

As expected, the holders won with comparative ease by scores of 6-3, 6-2. Their opponents started off as if they would give the brothers a run for their money and established a lead of 3-2 in the first set. But they failed to maintain their early promise and fell off badly in the end.

The extent of the encounter were extremely dull. They were relieved only in parts by the sporadic brilliance of the champions who, not being extended, were not called upon to bring out their best.

Faulty position by Rumjahn and Hussain left many loop-holes for the brothers to break through, while the Indians' slowness in recovery also contributed to their downfall. When they were entrenched at the net they were beaten on several occasions by well-placed shots, neither Rumjahn nor Hussain being fast enough to retrieve them.

POLO

BRITAIN'S HOPES DIMMED BUT TEAM TO CARRY THROUGH

New York.

This was to have been the year the British really were going to be serious in their courting of the Westchester Polo Cup.

Periodically since 1914 the riders from overseas have made their bids, sometimes on their home soil, sometimes on this side of the Atlantic. But they were more or less flirtations. The Americans were too strong, and the Britons just hoped to make it interesting, to lose gracefully.

But this year Ah. Money was spent lavishly. The deficit complex was subdued. This was the year the huge Bowl, in the possession of the United States since 1921, was to return to England.

We still can see Gerald Balding, Captain of the British squad, as he loomed in the doorway of the United States Polo Association offices here in the bleak winter twilight recently. A big, ruddy-cheeked man who seemed to bring the breath of the great outdoors with him. He had come direct from the dock, this serious young stalwart to whom polo was life itself. Almost the first words he spoke were:

"Pat Roark was invited to join the squad at meeting just before we sailed."

He couldn't hide his enthusiasm as he added that with the addition of Roark he felt the English had their best team since the war, and were really out to win, instead of just to make a presentable showing.

He himself was temporarily incapacitated. A pony had rolled on him last November, but he expected to be back in action by March 1.

EXCELLENT CHANCE

But despite his own incapacity and the fact that Capt. Humphrey Guiness wouldn't be able to compete due to his military assignment in Palestine, Balding felt that with Roark, Eric Tyrrell-Martin, Hesketh Hughes, Bob Skene, John Laking, a youngster whose play verged on the sensational, and others with ratings of seven goals or better had an excellent chance of retrieving the cup from an American squad which could boast four 10-goal players.

Balding outlined the campaign plans, which included first exhibition match at Medwick Feb. 19. The west coast matches were to serve as trials for both riders and ponies, with the squad arriving on Long Island about May 1 to finish preparation for the June Challenge matches.

DREAMS TUMBLED

But the world of dreams has tumbled about the Britons. In that first coast match Pat Roark's horse fell, injuring him fatally.

The loss of the hard-riding, fiery Irishman, who knew no peer as a morale builder, on the surface would appear a finishing blow to the hopes of the British team, although there always is the possibility that such an affair might arouse teammates to superb efforts which would carry them through to victory.

Many a contest in every sport has been won by a physically inferior individual or team which found inspiration in misfortune.

U.S. PREPARES FOR INVASION

New York.
The United States Polo Association has taken its first step to prepare for the English invasion next year in the International Series.

The Association invited 13 ranking American players to compete in the American trials to be held May 1, from which the squad will be selected to defend the International Cup against England's challenge.

The four top-flight polo players, Tommy Hitchcock, Cecil Smith, Stewart Iglesias and Michael Phillips were all invited to participate in the trials. Phillips was accorded a ten-goal rating recently by the Polo Association, marking the first time since 1925 that the American team has had four ten-goal handicap men as the nucleus of the international team.

Others invited to participate in the trials include Eric Pedley and Raymond Guest who boast eight goal handicaps; E. J. Boesche, J. William Post II, E. E. Gerry, G. H. Bostwick and Winston Guest, all men with seven-goal ratings; and C. V. Whitney and Robert Gerry Jr., who have six-goal handicaps.

Badminton

Semi-Final Matches Decided

Three matches were decided on the Taikoo court last evening in connection with the Colony Badminton Championships.

In the semi-finals of the Men's Junior Singles, D. Kwok and P. Lo had to play three sets before the former won.

In the Mixed Doubles, P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo (holders) defeated K. L. Yong and Miss W. Cheung, while M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat C. Au and Miss A. Remedios.

The results were:

D. Kwok beat P. Lo 15-9, 10-15, 15-7.

P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo beat K. L. Yong and Miss W. Cheung 15-7, 15-5.

M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat C. Au and Miss A. Remedios 15-5, 15-10.

CONTENDERS ON TRIAL

For six months now both have chased Harvey for a little fight, and it depends entirely on the kind of performance they give the cash customers in the Albert Hall how their

Woman Drills Boatrace Crew



Pupils in this gymnasium class are members of the Cambridge University boat race crew. Their instructor, standing in the background, is Miss Lovan, a Swedish drill expert. This is the second year that the Cambridge crew have done gymnastics under her instruction. Although Cambridge did not win the boat race last year, they stood up against the severe strain to which they were subjected very much better than had been expected. The boat race this year will be rowed on Saturday, April 1.

Boon-Danahar Plan Return Fight On Farr-Burman Bill

By John Macadam

London, Mar. 2.

Promoter Sydney Hulls, with the most terrific success in recent British boxing history under his belt, is not content to allow his cash customers any feeling of anti-climax. Before he sails for New York in the Queen Mary this week-end he promises to have a first-class second show card lined up.

Main proposal is to rematch Eric Boon and Arthur Danahar, and Hulls is getting round the difficulties engendered by those who say that Danahar can never again attempt to make the light-weight limit of 9st. 10lb. by fixing the fight at 10st.

That would be a comfortable weight for Danahar, and Boon would not mind the disparity.

That would be one half of the next bill, the other half he hopes to make up of Tommy Farr and Red Burman, the Jack Dempsey protege who so recently licked him in America, that is, Burman was given the decision, but Farr swears he was robbed.

At least, this time he has every incentive to go in and fight for his life. They have had one win each over the other, and the loser this time looks like being definitely out as big time prospect.

Home Football

RANGERS MAKE SURE OF LEAGUE

London, Mar. 25.

Glasgow Rangers made certain of the championship of the First Division in the Scottish Football League to-day by visiting Clyde and playing a draw of 1-1. The point gained from this encounter ensures the Rangers of remaining at the top of the League Table irrespective of the results of their remaining matches.

The following were the results of the matches played:

Clyde 1 Rangers 1

Partick 0 Hibernian 0

—Reuter.

LEAGUE TABLE

The following are the leading teams in the Scottish League:

	P. W.	D. L.	F. A.	Pts.
Rangers	34	23	8	31075064
Celtic	32	17	7	80904641
Falkirk	34	17	7	10085041
Aberdeen	33	17	6	10806440
Queen O'Sth.	34	16	8	10625640

Football Matches Re-Arranged

Owing to the annual inspection of the Middlesex Regiment, the first division football match between the Middlesex and Eastern, which was scheduled for to-day, has been postponed until Friday at Soakupoo at 5 p.m.

The following matches have been re-arranged from Saturday to Monday and Tuesday, next week:

Monday—Second Division, Royal Scots v. South China (Military ground), 5 p.m.

Tuesday—First Division, Royal Scots v. South China "B" (Soakupoo), 5 p.m.

TIME-LIMITLESS TEST MATCHES NOT TO INTEREST OF CRICKET

London, March 15.

Everybody is not commenting on the timeless Test in South Africa and most of them are saying "I told you so." Here are some comments from famous people.

Walter Hammond (speaking at lunch yesterday at Durban) said: "I hope that this is the last timeless Test that will ever be played between South Africa and England. I am convinced that these are not in the best interests of the game."

Sir Pelham Warner (former chairman of England's Selection Committee): "I would like to see five-day Tests in England and six-day matches in Australia and South Africa. In recent years it seems that many batsmen disregard their natural methods for unnecessary caution. In addition, the wickets are much too good."

This caveat against a repetition of one factor of the M.C.C. tour should not obscure its general success. The relations between the English team, finely captained by W. R. Hammond, and Alan Melville's South Africans have been excellent; no less pleasant has been their reception by the public in South Africa. Many in both countries will echo the wish expressed by the M.C.C.'s hosts that the interchange of visits may become more frequent. Certainly South Africa gave every sign, especially in the Fourth Test, of possessing a side of equal calibre to the team that has made cricket history by scoring, for the loss of five wickets, the largest total ever made in a fourth innings.

Right up to the very end, which was certainly one of the bitterest, this match remained a kind of cause célèbre. The Friday before last most people were regretting that such an affair had ever been staged—an opinion which the events of the subsequent few days did little to alter—but the news of the abandonment caused the greatest disappointment for it cannot be denied that England's wonderful effort for victory had aroused widespread interest.

WICKET PERFECT

An interest, however, which was apt to lose sight of the fact that the pitch was practically as perfect as when the match began; and many of the South African spectators, throughout the game, must have sighed for the good old days of matting, when the ball did have a chance, and when the batsmen had continually to be on the look-out. As it was 5,447 balls were delivered during this particular match, more than a quarter of the total number sent down by Turner and Morris during the whole of the Australian tour of England in 1888.

RUGBY LEAGUE TIE RESULT

London, Mar. 28.

In the Rugby League to-day, at Holkham, at home, lost to Liverpool 5-0.—Reuter.

NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

40 Teams In Six-A-Side Hockey Tourney

Competition Divided Into Four Sections, Each With Ten Sides

Forty teams entered for the Six-a-side hockey competition, organized by the Hongkong Hockey Association, the draw for which was completed yesterday. The tournament is divided into four sections, as designated by the respective grounds upon which the early matches are played. The winners of each section meet in the semi-finals and final, which will be played on the Hongkong Hockey Club ground.

Each section has ten teams, and the section competition will progress on the ordinary knock-out lines.

All matches, including the final, will be played on Sunday, April 2. First round matches will commence at 2 p.m. sharp, and teams which are not on the grounds at that time will be disqualified. Second round matches will commence at 2.30 p.m.

Each team will provide two balls, and each player will turn up with a white shirt, together with his own club colours.

Should the grounds be unfit for play, it will be so published, and the absence of such notice means that the competition is to be played.

The draw resulted as follows:

Navy Ground No. 1

First Round—9th A.A. v. Radio "A"; Perseus "A" v. Kumons "B".

Second Round—Officers H.M.S. Medway v. 8th Destroyer Flotilla; Birmingham "A" v. Queen's College "A"; C.B.A. "B" v. U.S.R.C.; 8th A.A. v. Radio "A" v. Perseus "A" or Kumons "A".

C.B.A. Ground

First Round—Recreo "C" v. 8th R.A. "B"; 8th R.A. "A" v. Middlesex "C".

Second Round—R.A.O.C. "A" v. Queen's College "B"; Olympus v. Lower Deck, Medway; Seamen v. R. Engineers; Recrelo "C" or 8th R.A. "B" v. 8th R.A. "A" or Middlesex "C".

Recreo Ground

First Round—Radio "B" v. Nomads "A"; Motor Torpedo Boats v. Middlesex "B".

Second Round—K.I.T.C. v. Middlesex "D"; 8th R.A. "C" v. Ellis Kadrioru School; R. Scots v. Recrelo "D"; Radio "B" or Nomads "B" v. Motor Torpedo Boats or Middlesex "E".

Navy Ground No. 2

First Round—C.B.A. "A" v. Per-

SPORT ADVT'S

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Second Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 8th and Monday, 10th April, 1939, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 30th March, 1939.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

OLD BEGGAR ROBBED

Compensated With Money From Court Poor Box

The theft of \$5 from a 75-year-old beggar named Wong Kan at Portland Street, Mongkok, brought Sin Yiu, 30, unemployed, before Mr. E. Hinsworth at the Kowloon Magistrate yesterday. Sin was additionally charged with possession of a fledgling. He was sentenced to six months' hard labour on the first charge and to one month on the second, the terms to run concurrently.

Wong was sleeping in the street when he felt someone touching his girdle. He tried to get up, but was pushed down again. When he finally got up, he saw three men, who ran away. He raised the alarm and pursued the men, and the defendant was arrested by a pedestrian.

The \$5 taken from Wong was not recovered. His Worship ordered that \$2 be given to the old man as compensation from the Poor Box.

Ango-Indian Pact Rejected

New Delhi, Mar. 28. The Indian Assembly, voting 47 to 47, refused to-day to approve the Indo-British trade agreement. The Moslem League abstained from voting.—Reuters.

TEXAS ORANGES

McAllen, Tex. George Chapapas, orchardist, reported the 24-year-old orchard of Mrs. H. F. Ferry of McAllen produced 40,000 pounds of oranges during the past season. It is a one-acre orchard and Chapapas believes the production is a record.



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Nine Records Broken At Wah Yan Meet

DON BUDGE CALLS RIGGS WORLD'S BEST AMATEUR

Sabin Ranked Second In U.S. Tennis List

No less than nine records, six track and three field were broken at the fourteenth annual athletic meeting of Wah Yan College which was held at the Caroline Hill Stadium, yesterday.

The track was in splendid condition due to the fall of rain a few days ago, while the weather was ideal from the competitors' point of view, although a slight drizzle of rain fell towards the end of the meet.

White House were the winners of The Shou Son Chow Championship Shield with a total of 181 points, followed by Black House with 103½ points, and Red House with 151 points.

Mr. C. G. Sollis, Director of Education, presented the prizes at the end of the sports.

The results were:

Long Jump, C Grade—1, Hung Wah-chiu; 2, Wong Kan-tak; 3, Lee Shing-tung. Distance, 10 ft., 6 ins. (Record).

High Jump, C Grade—1, Hung Wah-chiu; 2, Fan Chung-hong; 3, Cheung Man-kong. Distance, 23 ft. 7 ins.

Distance, 20 ft., 6 ins. (Record). Reserves: 1, Eastman v. A. D. Humphreys; 2, W. V. Ahern v. D. D. Forbes; 3, W. J. Simpson v. J. W. Macdonald.

F. C. Barry v. W. F. Barnes; 3,22 a.m. 1, J. D. Thomson v. T. D. Humphreys; 3,25 a.m. 1, G. Milne v. T. Low; 3,28 a.m. 1, G. F. Fisher v. A. R. Selby; 3,44 a.m. 1, Lamb v. F. E. Bookler; 3,48 a.m. 1, Patterson v. F. E. Bookler; 3,52 a.m. 1, Davies v. G. E. Wilkinson; 3,55 a.m. 1, W. S. Hillier v. W. Sharp; 3,58 a.m. 1, Eastman v. A. D. Humphreys; 3,22 p.m. 1, Ahern v. D. D. Forbes; 3,24 a.m. 1, Simpson v. J. W. Macdonald.

10,04 a.m. W. Hyde v. A. Brooksbank; 10,06 a.m. W. Hyde v. A. J. MacFadyen.

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Budge, here for a match with Eddie Vines in their tour to decide the national professional championship, pointed to Sabin's clean sweep of Florida tournaments this winter as the basis for the slender Los Angeles netman's claims for Davis Cup consideration.

In the four tournaments he won in Florida, Sabin trounced Mako three times in the finals.

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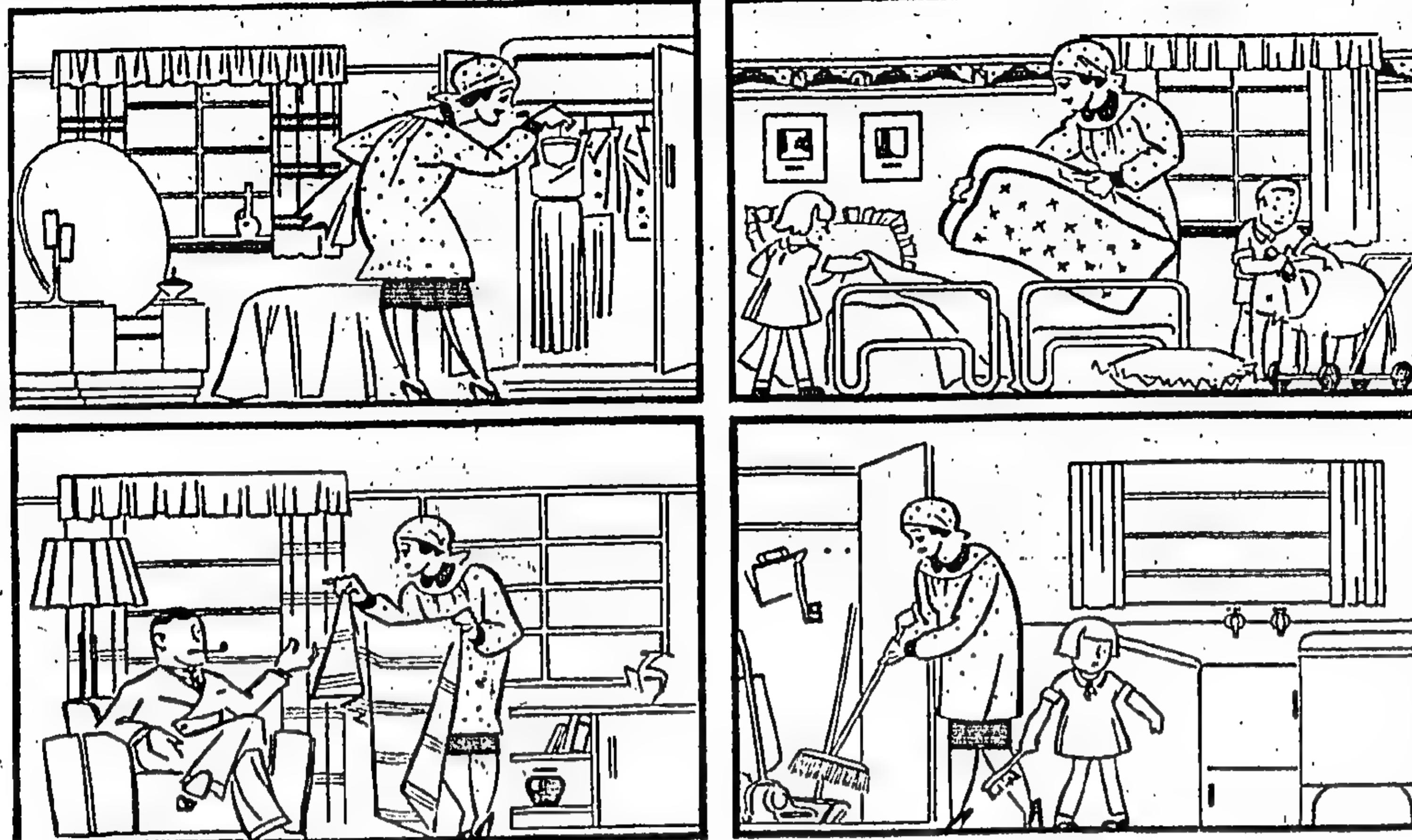
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Preparing for * the Spring * Clean *



- * Make space for new clothes by getting rid of white elephants.
- * Take note of mattresses and sagging springs which need attention.
- * Father will like to be consulted about the new curtains.
- * Most important! See that equipment is in good order.

LONGER, brighter days, accompanied by the first chirrups of the birds trying out their voices in the garden, never fail to arouse thoughts of a spring clean, even though this isn't the bogey it used to be.

It's as if, when all the polishing and painting, soupsudding and scrubbing have been done and everything is shining like a new pin, we have really pushed Old Man Winter back into his place and the sunshine has come into its own once more.

Before you really get down to it with mop and vacuum cleaner, a

little advance planning will save the upholstery. It is added to a worn horse being turned upside down rather made with soap flakes and is worked into the pile with a nail brush. No rinsing is necessary.

Discomfort at home, even in a good cause, has had a bad effect on members of husband and family. The housekeeper herself gets less tired if she has everything worked out in advance and can take the spring clean in her stride.

Newly Wed

I was married last summer, so am new to housekeeping. Can you help me to work out a spring cleaning programme?—Coveney.

DECIDE first what decorating or repairs are necessary and get these done before you start on the spring clean. Also arrange for the sweep in good time.

You can save yourself trouble if you make out a list of repairs, and another of cleaning materials and any mops or dusters to be bought.

I spread the spring clean over a fortnight, leaving one weekday and Saturday and Sunday clean, in each week—for breathing space.

This arrangement would enable you to do the three bedrooms, bathroom, and landing in the first week; living room, dining-room, kitchen and hall in the second week. Work from the top of the house downwards.

Split tiny finger rolls, take out the inside and spread with highly seasoned mayonnaise. Then place smoked sardines in the roll shells and decorate with strips of pickle or olive. Serve very cold.

Mix 2 tablespoons freshly grated horseradish with 1 egg yolk; add ½ cup mincemeat, 1 tablespoon lemon juice, salt and paprika, and serve on fish salad for a "new one!"

Food Tips

Add crisp raw cauliflower flowerets to canned orange and grape-fruit segments, and serve with tart dressing for a "quick salad."

Use the canned orange-grape-fruit juice combination to thin mayonnaise or mix with French dressing.

Sauté finely minced mushrooms and green peppers in mincemeat and chicken lightly with flour and cream. Spread on bread, slices and toast quickly.

Treatment for Tapestry
Is it possible to clean tapestry upholstery at home?—Motherwell.

HOT bran is good for general cleaning, but there is also a carpet shampoo which can be used on

Lighter Woodwork

If you give the woodwork an initial coat of good aluminium paint before the undercoating and finishing paint, there should be no risk of the crocote working through and spoiling the paint.

Pelmet v. Frills

I want to change from frills to pelmets with my new curtains. How do I fit them?—Farnham.

HAVE a pelmet board fitted to each window. It is a simple

wooden shelf with rounded or square corners, and the metal curtain runner is fixed to the underside.

The finished pelmet is hooked along the front edge of the board.

Spare Room

We want to turn our third bedroom into a spare room. It is furnished with oddments: mahogany wardrobe, cane armchair, oak washstand and divan. I have some green tholeum. Any suggestions?

START by distempering walls and ceiling soft apricot pink and paint the woodwork pale apple-green. Leave the wardrobe enamel to match the woodwork. Take the back off the washstand, cover the top with plywood and drap it with a chintz or eratoine petitcoat for a dressing-table.

Wash Brush Daily

Wash your hair brush every day if possible—at least twice a week if you haven't time to make this a daily event. Swish the brush through soapuds three or four times, and rinse in clear water. If your hair is excessively oily or troubled with dandruff give your brush a sterilising bath several times during the week. Let it soak in a solution of one teaspoon formalin to a pint of warm water. Then shake the excess water from the bristles and dry cover for the divan. Two green and beige rugs would look cosy.

Curtains would be of the same chintz: a tiny flower pattern on a cream ground. Enamel the chair of apple green and have a green cover for the divan. Two green and beige rugs would look cosy.



With a greater than ever Spring suit season heralded for 1939, one can't possibly have too many blouses. One of the smartest is this crisp hand-made lingerie blouse of self printed organdie from Paris. Note the new fluted collar with its tiny narrow lace trimmed edge to add to its fresh daintiness.

Count the
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Doctors say that hair is as healthy as the person. It informs us if your conscience tells you that you have shampooed and given yourself hot oil treatment enough and if you have brushed and combed and still your hair is dry or oily and full of dandruff you had better see your doctor or a dermatologist.

Check Your Health

Nervousness, insufficient sleep, worry, anemia, and dietary faults may account for your sick scalp and ill hair, and all of these should be treated under the direction of a physician. Once any physical abnormality has been corrected you will see an immediate improvement in the condition of your hair.

In the majority of cases, however, sensible living, regular shampoos, an occasional oil treatment (even for oily hair) and 10 minutes of brushing night and morning with a clean brush will bring about a miraculous change.

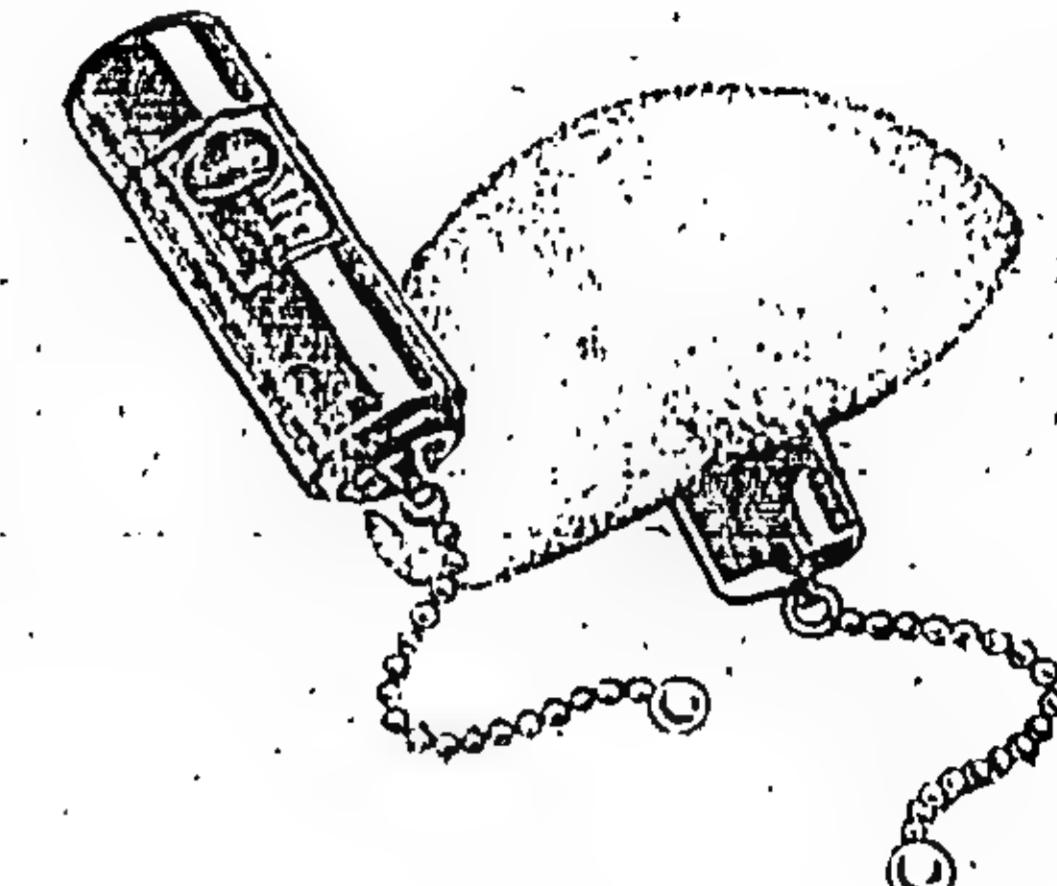
Perhaps the main reason for brushing your hair is cleanliness. First, brush the back of your head from the hairline to the crown to stimulate the circulation. When the scalp has a warm, tingling sensation, go over the entire head. Begin at the middle of the back and, separating the hair into one-inch strands, brush each one with short, sharp strokes. After each third lightning-like stroke of the brush, stop and wipe the bristles on a clean, lintless towel to remove any oil and particles of dust or cuticle picked up.

Finish by flushing your hair with your fingers and short strokes of the brush to air the scalp and remove any remaining specks of dust. To re-arrange your coiffure, brush the hair down to your head, the under layer of hair first then the top layers. Next, brush your waves or curly upward or back in the direction they should go and set them with your fingers and perhaps one of the new hairdressing combs to help you roll the end curls into place.

Wash Brush Daily

Wash your hair brush every day if possible—at least twice a week if you haven't time to make this a daily event. Swish the brush through soapuds three or four times, and rinse in clear water. If your hair is excessively oily or troubled with dandruff give your brush a sterilising bath several times during the week. Let it soak in a solution of one teaspoon formalin to a pint of warm water. Then shake the excess water from the bristles and dry cover for the divan. Two green and beige rugs would look cosy.

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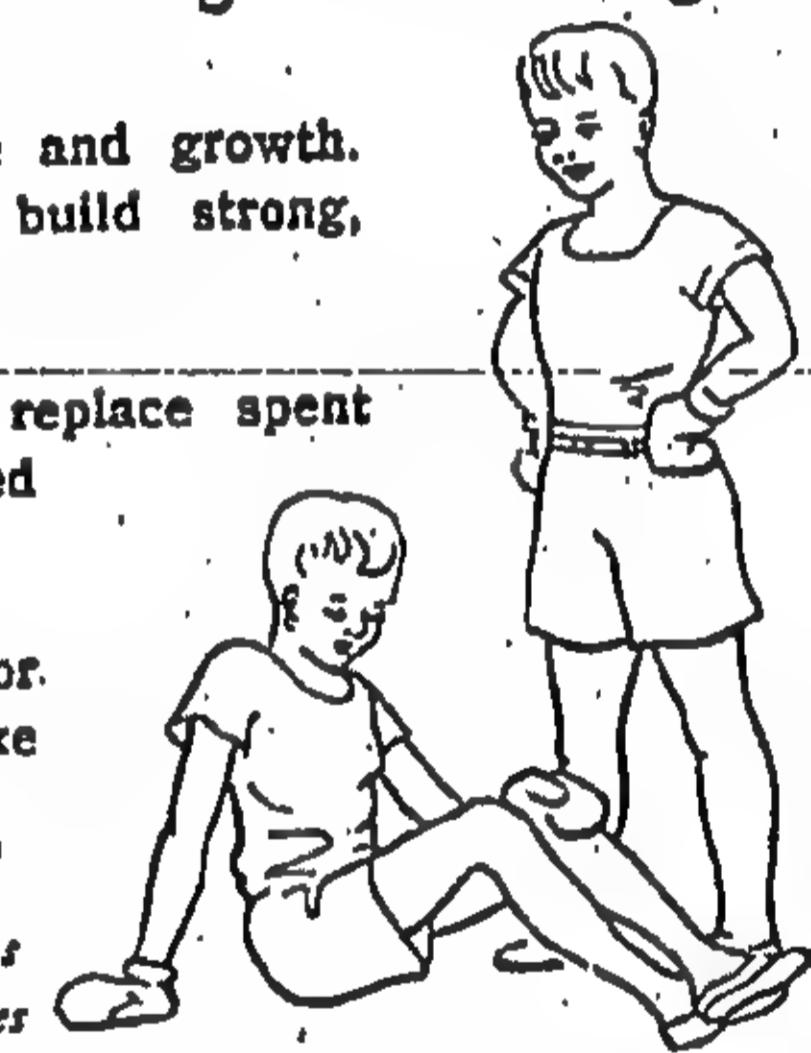
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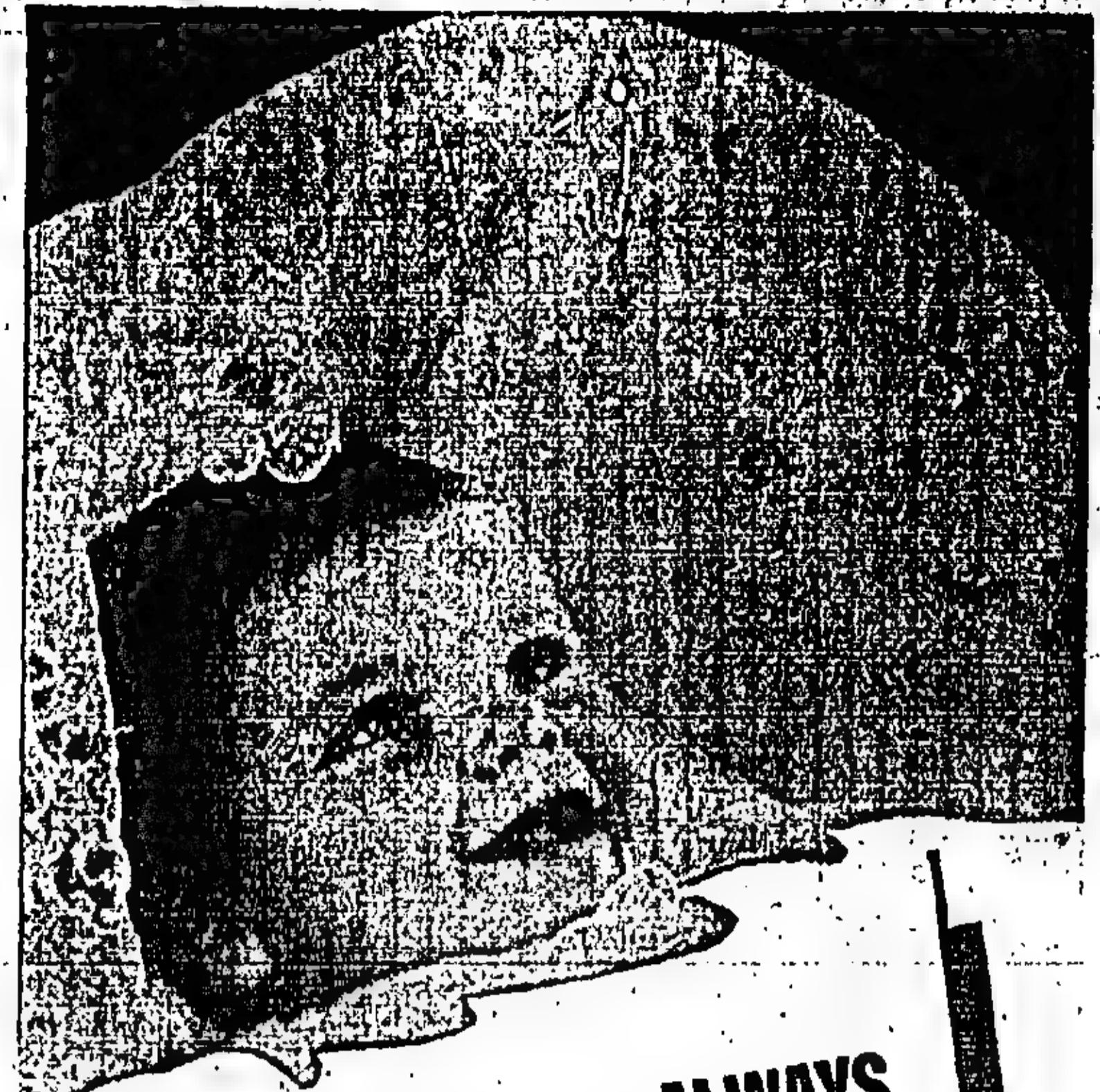
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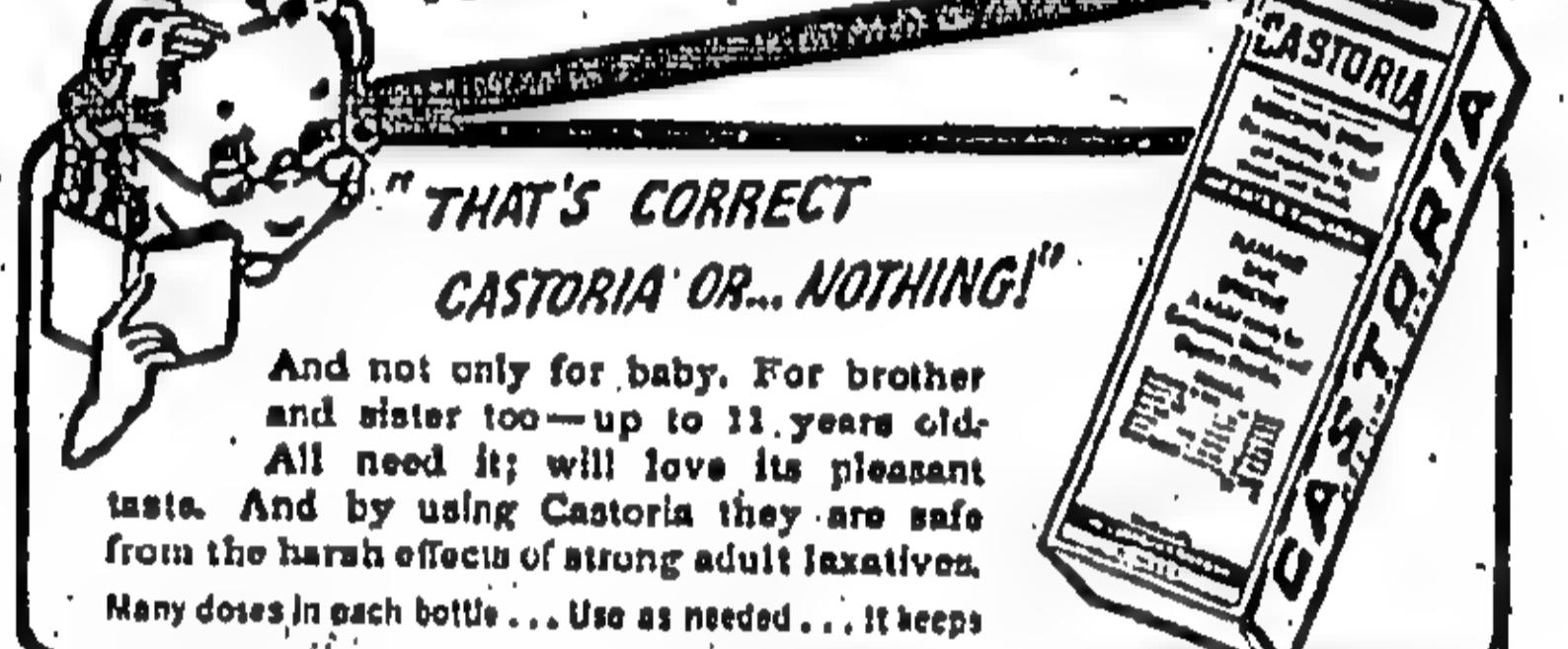


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REPORT**

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued at 4.00 p.m. yesterday, says:

The market continues steady, but the turnover was on a restricted scale due to holders being reluctant to deal at quoted prices. Banks changed hands at \$1,305, Docks at \$10.60, and Cements at \$13.4.

Buyers: Canton Insurance \$220
Doughness \$934
H.K. Docks \$10.60
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U.S. Protests To Japanese Bombings In Air Raids In China

PEIPING, Mar. 28. THE UNITED STATES Embassy has protested to the Japanese authorities against four further bombings of United States property in China.

One concerned the bombing of mission property at Chengchow in Honan on March 23, this being the fifth occasion on which this property has been bombed since the hostilities began.

Others concerned the bombings of mission property at Sian in Shensi, Pingling in Kansu, and the property of an American oil company at Wanhsien in Szechuan.—Reuter.

OBITUARY

Another Vacancy In House of Commons

London, Mar. 28. Another vacancy has occurred in the House of Commons by the death of Sir George Harvey, Conservative member for the Kensington Division of Lambeth from 1924 to 1929 and since 1931.

Sir George was 89 years old and had served for 12 years on the Holborn Borough Council. He was Mayor for four successive years up to 1924. He also served as member for Holborn on the London County Council. He was a director of the famous Cafe Royal off Piccadilly Circus.—Reuter Special.

There are now eight by-elections pending to fill vacancies in the House of Commons, seven of which are for Government seats.

STATE FUNERAL

Former Ambassador to Paris Buried in Tokyo

Tokyo, Mar. 28. The Foreign Office recorded the late Mr. Yotaro Suzukiura, former Ambassador to France, a Ministry funeral to-day, conducted according to Buddhist rites at the Nishi Honganji Cathedral at Tsukiji, Tokyo.

Ministers of State, high Government officials, foreign diplomatic representatives, including the Italian Ambassador Signor Giacinto Auriti, and the French Ambassador M. Arsene Henry, and a large number of notables attended the funeral.

The French Ambassador, in his memorial address, said the French Government and people share the profound grief of Japan in the loss of the distinguished Ambassador. Daniel.

COUNCIL MEETING

Eight Bills for Second And Third Readings

At a meeting of the Legislative Council to-morrow afternoon, the Colonial Secretary will move that the Report of the Finance Committee (No. 2), dated March 23, 1939, be adopted.

The Attorney General is to move the second and third readings of:

"A Bill to amend the Betting Duty Ordinance, 1931."

"A Bill to make better provision for the prevention and punishment of endeavours to seduce members of His Majesty's forces, or any member of any local Naval, Military or Police force, corps or reserve, from their duty, or from their allegiance to His Majesty."

"A Bill to amend the law relating to the professional qualifications required in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court and Full Court."

"A Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to the registration of persons."

"A Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to the taxation of Hydrocarbon Oils."

"A Bill to authorize an undertaking for the reclamation of an area of sea bed to abut the Jubilee Street Ferry Pier approached and Connought Road to the Eastward of such approaches between Queen Victoria Street and Pottinger Street and for construction of a pier extending seawards from such reclamation and also for the construction of a temporary pier between the said reclamation and Douglas Wharf."

"A Bill to amend the Protection of Women and Girls Ordinance, 1938."

"A Bill to make provision for the Colony's yearly contributions to His Majesty's Government for defence."

LATE NEWS

Wuning Stormed In Storm

Japanese communiqué claims Wuning captured in thunderstorm at 3 a.m.

"HALT HITLER" PLANS

Premier's Statement To Commons

LONDON, Mar. 28. IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS to-day the Prime Minister indicated that Britain's plan for a Four Power "Halt Hitler" front includes concrete measures against future aggression in Europe.

He did not say that a military alliance had been proposed, but he declared that Britain's proposals go beyond mere consultation in the event of aggression.

He refused to reveal details of consultations which are still in progress.

Replying to the Labour Member, Mr. Hugh Dalton, who asked the Premier to explain the proposed consultation agreement, Mr. Chamberlain said: "What the Government has in mind goes a good deal further than consultation."

In reply to further questions, the Premier said that the Government had made it perfectly clear to the other governments what Britain was prepared to do. There would be a discussion on the matter at the earliest possible moment in the House.

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The Prime Minister replied: "The matter has been carefully considered, and I am satisfied we have the right composition."—Reuter.

ACTIVE CONSULTATIONS

London, Mar. 28.

Relying to Mr. Harry Greenwood in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Neville Chamberlain stated:

"The Government is actively continuing consultations with other governments on the issues arising from recent events. During the progress of these consultations, the House will appreciate that it is essential their confidential character be respected.

"The House will not expect me to make a statement which cannot be complete until we are in possession of the final views of the other governments concerned."

Mr. Greenwood asked the Premier whether, in order to remove

Wounded Flow Into Shanghai Cotton Mill Turned Into Hospital

CHUNGKING, Mar. 28. AS ALL hospitals in Shanghai for Japanese wounded soldiers have been filled to capacity, the Japanese have converted the Japanese-owned Kung Dah Cotton Mill in Hongkew into a hospital for wounded soldiers, a Shanghai message reveals.

As fighting has been renewed on the Yangtze front, many wounded Japanese soldiers have been carried to Shanghai for medical treatment.

Apprehensions, he would go a little further and say whether the declaration which had been submitted to certain Powers was one for consultation, or whether it involved military commitments.

MORE THAN CONSULTATIONS

Mr. Chamberlain replied: "It will be understood from what I have previously said, what the Government has in mind goes a great deal further than consultations. I do not think I should like to go into any further detail at the moment."

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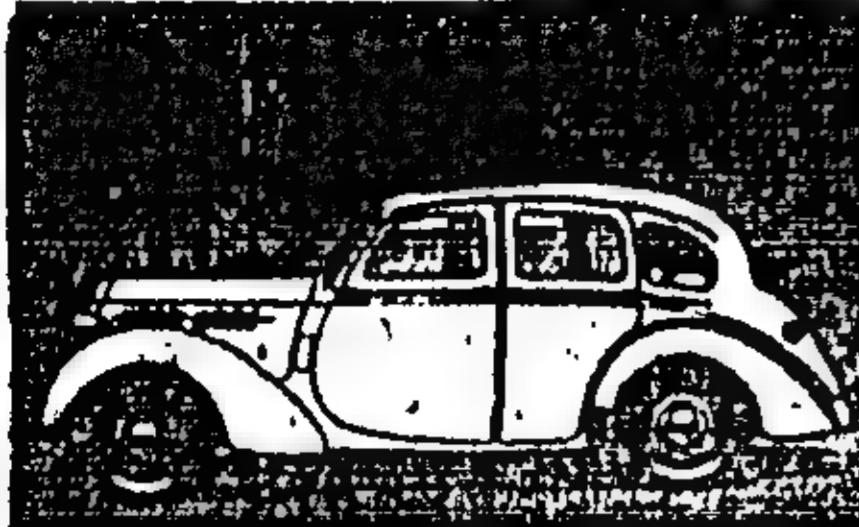
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Soir" in a report from Warsaw this
evening.

The paper declares
that in course of the last
four days, 750,000 re-
servists were called to
the colours, in addition
to the 300,000 men call-
ed up last week.

Thus Poland has now
mobilised more than one
million men.

In addition, Poland is
taking steps which will
bring industry on a war-
time footing.—Trans-Ocean.

GERMAN TROOPS
MOVE

WARSAW, Mar. 29.
RELIABLE REPORTS
state that large numbers of
German troops are moving
into position near Danzig.

It is feared that Germany is
commencing the same tactics
against Poland as those employ-
ed against Czechoslovakia and
Lithuania.

It is learned on good authority
in Warsaw that the Polish
Government has informed Ger-
many that any discussions on
the future of Danzig are out of
the question.

The Polish Note is also stated to
have added that there is no justification
for the language used in the
Berlin statement to the foreign
Press.

From Yugoslavia it is reported
that anti-German demonstrations are
increasingly evident among the
Croatians.

SUDEN CAMPAIGN
The Danzig problem must be
settled.

"Germany is shocked at the im-
perialist anti-Reich activities in Po-
land."

This is the type of semi-official
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campaign against Poland is regarded as
ominous in diplomatic circles, in
view of the parallel it has with previous
German coups.

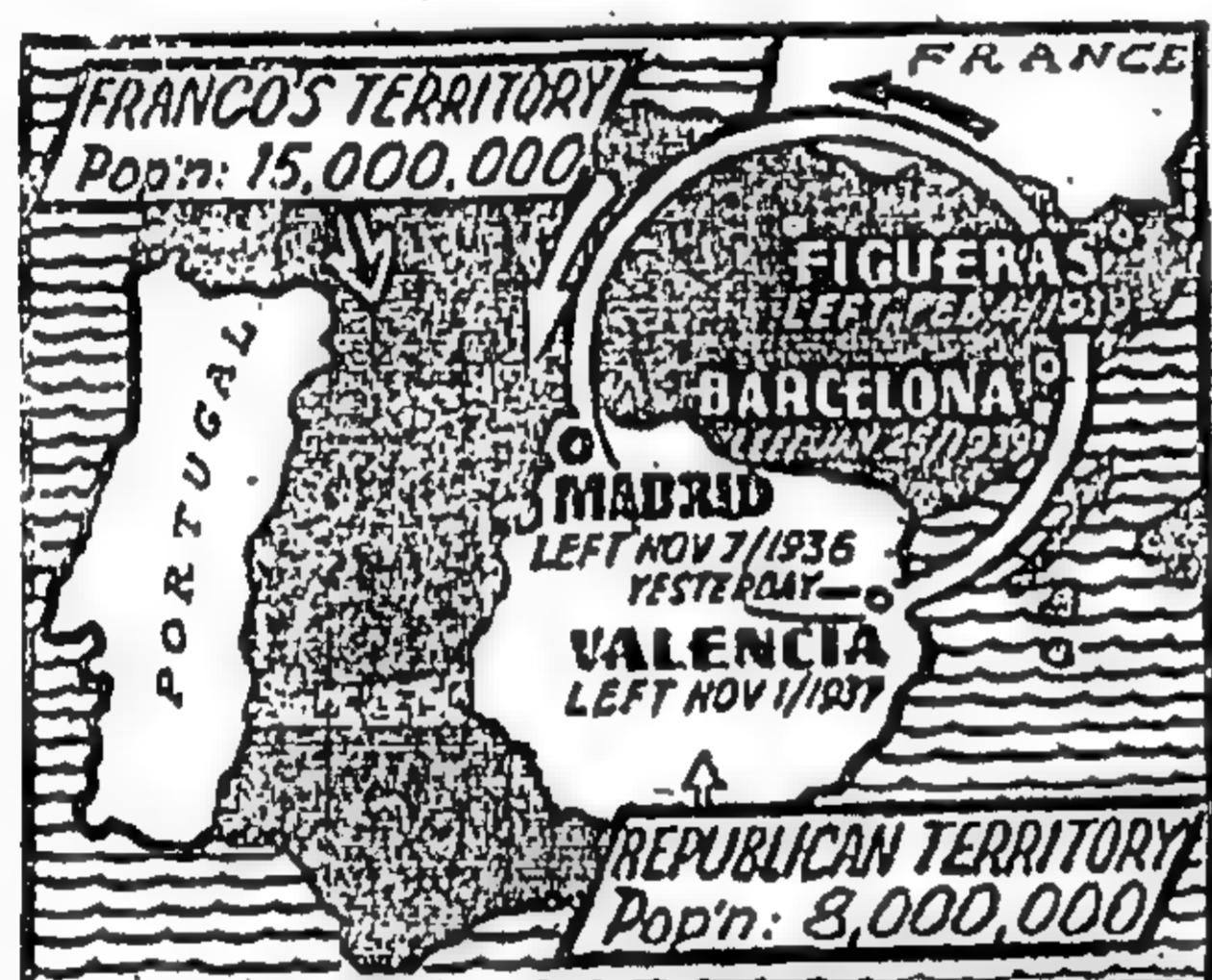
Reports of renewed anti-German
rioting in Danzig and Poland evoke
surprise everywhere except in Ger-
many.

It is realised that the inspired re-
ports, which are being released ex-
clusively by the official Deutsch News
Bureau, are a systematic attempt to
undermine German-Polish relations.

No news has reached London of
any untoward anti-German incidents,
and certainly nothing has happened in
either Poland or Danzig to justify
the language employed by the D.N.B.
Agency.

D.N.B. claims in official statements
to foreign press correspondents that
Germans are being beaten and
killed.

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Leaders
Flee To
Paris

With their de-
parture from
Madrid, yester-
day the Republi-
can Government
has completed the
circuit of their
wanderings.

CIVIL WAR COLLAPSES IN SPAIN

Republican Leaders Flee To France

MADRID, Mar. 28.

AFTER NEARLY three years
of a "little Great War," which
threatened to engulf Europe, the
conflict in Spain appears to have
ended with the Nationalists' entrance
into Madrid which was greeted by
nearly a million survivors of the
most terrible siege of modern times.

To finish the territorial
conquest, there remains
merely the cleaning up of a
wedge shaped area ex-
tending from Eastar south-
ward to the Mediterranean.

Other cities have not sur-
rendered formally and uncondi-
tionally but their resistance is
shattered and the people want
peace.

Their soldiers have surren-
dered by the thousands and their
leaders have fled.

General Minaya has left for the
coast and it is reported that he
will board a foreign warship at
Valencia.—United Press.

"Viva Franco"

Madrid, Mar. 29.
The surrender of Madrid was an-
nounced over the Madrid radio
station by a Nationalist announcer
who concluded by shouting: "Viva
Franco."

The radio station was seized by the
Nationalists yesterday morning.

A broadcast appeal was launched
from all Nationalist stations, appealing
to Republicans to surrender to
prevent further bloodshed.

The appeal stated: "You can count
on General Franco's sense of fair
play. When General Franco pro-
mises a pardon, he keeps his word.
It is useless to resist, and we urge
surrender without delay."

Immediately after the entry of
Nationalist troops into Madrid to-
day, all political prisoners were
liberated. They were mostly young
Falangists. They seized flags and
mounted guard at the prisons, where
previously they had been incarcerated.

Red berets are appearing every-
where, and also red and black ar-
mlets with arrows, which is the badge
of the Falangists.

Flags are flying everywhere, and
demonstrations are being held in
many places throughout the country.

—Reuter.

Valencia To Surrender?

VALENCIA, Mar. 28.
The National Defence Council
here is believed to be negotiating
for an early entry of the Na-
tionalists into Valencia.—Reuter.

Dofanco Council Flocs

PARIS, Mar. 28.
Members of the Council of the
Spanish National Defence have ar-
rived in Valencia, according to a
message received here.

They are conferring under the
chairmanship of General Minaya.

With Nationalist aircraft ceaselessly
flying over Madrid the first act of
its new masters was to order the
staffs of theatres, cinemas and other
places of entertainment to stay at
their posts, in order that the life of
the city should continue normally.

During the afternoon the first food
lorries of General Franco's social help

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SEAFORTHS' BENEDICTS TO JOIN WIVES HERE

SHANGHAI, Mar. 29.
AFTER BEING SEPARATED for a year and a half, apart
from three days, the married men of the 1st Battalion the Seaforth
Highlanders will be able to greet their families in Hongkong in the
near future.

News of this privilege was confirmed by British army officials
yesterday, who said that confirmation had been received from the
War Office.

The married men of the Battalion, about 30 in all, will be
given free passage to Hongkong from Shanghai.—Reuter.

I thought of committing suicide
because I realised that my husband's
income would be insufficient if he
had looked after me and his mother at
two different places.

"I bought a dollar's worth of opium.
When I took it my child cried. Then
they realised that after my death my
child would suffer as it would go
to anybody except me. I thought
it would be better for her to go
also, so I gave her the remaining
opium.

"It was my wish that she should
die with me."

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WUNING FALLS IN THUNDERSTORM

A
PRINCE
TOOK
THIS
PHOTO



PRINCESS JULIANA of the Netherlands with Prince Bernhard and their daughter, Princess Beatrix, are at present on holiday at Grindelwald, near Interlaken, where they were joined by Queen Wilhelmina. Our photograph was taken while Princess Julian and her daughter were being filmed by Prince Bernhard, who is an enthusiastic cinematographer. It was officially announced on February 3 that Princess Julian is expecting a second child in August.

ONE HUNDRED AND
TWENTY THOU-
SAND men fought
hand-to-hand encounters
in the mud and shell-
craters of what remain-
ed of Wuning this
morning.

Nothing remained of the
one-time city of 60,000
people except a chaos of
ruins.

Wuning has disappeared
yesterday in the most intensive
artillery bombardment the Asian continent
has ever known.

Rain poured down in torrents
as the Japanese launched repeated
bayonet charges under a continuous
barrage of shells.

The roar of a terrific thunderstorm
was drowned in the roar of the
Japanese cannon, which fired at
almost point-blank range at the
broken Chinese lines.

Pock-Marked Countryside

For an area of twelve square miles,
the countryside is pock-marked with
water-filled craters.

The ruins of the city have been
churned into mud by shells and rain.

The finale of the nine-day old battle
presented a grotesque scene of nature's
furries competing with the horror of man-made explosives.

As night closed in yesterday, four
detachments of Japanese shock troops
launched a general offensive on the
heroically defended ruins of the wall-
ed city.

Repeated bayonet attacks were met
with such withering machine-gun fire that
the Japanese lines broke time after time.

But Japanese reinforcements arrived
in constant procession from all
directions.

80,000 In Charge

Eighty thousand Japanese troops
participated in the last charge.
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LATEST

Explosions
In London

LONDON, Mar. 29.—Two terrific
explosions occurred at Hanunsmi-
th Bridge soon after 1 a.m. to-day.

Police state evidence was found
that explosions were result of live
bombs. Nobody was hurt and the
damage was comparatively small.

Police are considering the possibil-
ity that the explosions were the
work of I.R.A. sympathisers and
were intended as a gesture following
the sentences at the Old Bailey yes-
terday.—Reuter.

40,000 Prisoners

SALAMANCA, Mar. 29.—Nation-
alist communiqué claims that over
40,000 prisoners have been captured
on the Toledo front, in addition to
several thousands on other fronts.—
Reuter.

See Back Page For

Further Late News

Bombers Can
Reach London

GAYDA

ROME, Mar. 28.—THE ITALIAN writer Signor

Geyda, on the occasion of the
celebration of "Air Day" to-
day, claimed that Italy has 400
bombing planes able to reach
London, unload their bombs and
return non-stop.—United Press.

FRENCH SHIP SEIZED

TANGIER, Mar. 28.—An unknown warship is reported
to have seized a French vessel near Cape San Antonio.—Reuter.

COMPANY'S GOOD START TO 1939

Optimistic Note Struck At Annual Meeting Of H.K. Rope Manufacturing Co.

A MARKED INCREASE in the turnover of the Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., during 1938, was commented on by the Chairman, the Hon. Mr. A. L. Shields, at the 55th ordinary yearly meeting held at the offices of Shewan, Tomes & Co. this morning.

Keen competition had been faced and it was difficult to say what the prospects were for the coming year. As regards the Kennedy Town house property of the Company, this had brought in full rent since June and if tenants remained in occupation this year's accounts would show a substantial benefit.

There were present: Hon. Mr. Shields (Chairman), Mr. J. P. Braga, Mr. S. T. Williamson (Directors), Messrs. F. J. Tavares, (Secretary), S. C. Lau, H. Dreyer, Kam Wah-kui, J. Dick, A. A. Botelho, K. P. Bailey and J. W. Shewan (Shareholders).

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

The Chairman said: You will observe from the Accounts for the year ended December 31, 1938, which have been before you for the prescribed period, that after providing for Depreciation and allowing for Directors' and Auditors' Fees and Commission to General Managers, there remains a Net Profit of \$97,185.10 for the year under review. This amount, added to the balance of \$51,275.54 brought forward from 1937, makes a total at credit of Profit and Loss Account of \$139,460.70 available for appropriation, which your Board recommend be dealt with as follows:

Pay a dividend of 40 cents per share amounting.....	\$ 30,000.00
Pay a bonus to staff.....	\$ 3,043.00
And carry forward to 1939.....	\$ 64,818.70
Account.....	\$ 139,460.70

The turnover of rope last year shows a marked increase over that for 1937, and this is reflected in the accounts now laid before you, which I think may be considered satisfactory, in view of the keen competition with which we have had to contend throughout the year.

The profit on working account is \$45,597.64 better than the previous year and the income from rents collected is \$63,007.70, as compared with \$48,772.05 in 1937—an increase of \$15,194.65. This is due to the Kennedy Town houses having been fully occupied since the month of June, 1938, and provided the tenants remain in occupation, the full benefit of the additional rent obtained therefrom will be gained in the accounts for the current year.

The factory buildings at Ma-tau-kok continue in occupation, and we have recently concluded negotiations for an extension of the present lease for a further term of three years.

You will have noticed in the Profit and Loss Account a return to the authorised amount in Directors' Fees and an increase in Commission to General Managers which is still below that provided by the Company's Articles. In this connection I wish to remind you that in 1935, owing to then prevailing conditions, your Directors and General Managers voluntarily agreed to reduce their remunerations by 50 per cent and on

reference to subsequent accounts it would be seen that no change had since been made in respect thereto. These savings together with other economies which your Board effected, have contributed very largely to bring the Company to its position today and in view of the increased earnings last year over those of 1937, your Board decided to charge the authorised amount, in respect of Directors' Fees and with regard to the General Managers' Commission, this has been increased to three-fourths of the minimum authorised by the Articles of Association.

The staff have also co-operated and worked hard to attain the result now placed before you and I hope that you will approve the bonus recommended by your Board.

When I addressed you this time last year I mentioned that some of our machines would need replacing. You will see in the Balance Sheet that we have expended the sum of \$49,114.80 on additions to Plant and Machinery. The new machines are now being installed and will soon be in operation.

The usual provisions have been made for Depreciation on Buildings, etc., and on Plant & Machinery your Board decided to provide on additional \$30,000.00 depreciation. The Stocks and Stores have been valued at cost or under.

GOOD START TO NEW YEAR

Now as regards the prospects for the current year, conditions out here in the East as well as those in Europe do not permit me to say more than that we have made a good start in spite of the strong competition and I hope that we shall continue to hold our own during the present year.

I do not think that there are any other items in the accounts that need special comment, and I will therefore propose that the Report and Accounts as presented be adopted and passed, and that the amount of \$139,460.70 at credit of Profit and Loss Account be appropriated as above.

Mr. J. P. Braga seconded and the motion was approved.

It was proposed by Mr. S. C. Lau and seconded by Mr. W. Dreyer that Mr. Braga and Mr. Williamson be re-elected to the Board of Directors, the meeting adjourning.

It was proposed by Mr. Kam Wah-kui, and seconded by Mr. J. Dick that Messrs. Percy Smith, Sohn & Fleming and Messrs. Linstead and Davis be re-appointed Auditors for the ensuing year at a remuneration of \$500 each. The motion was approved.

Hockey Interport Honoured

Sir H. Phillips To See Hongkong Play

SHANGHAI, Mar. 29.—SIR Herbert Phillips, British Consul-General in Shanghai, has accepted the invitation of the Shanghai Ladies' Hockey Association to attend the forthcoming Interport match against Hongkong on April 8, and to present the trophy to the winning team.

Shanghai has selected a good team to meet the visitors.

The nucleus of the forward line has been drawn from the Greens, the local champions.

The rest of Shanghai will play Hongkong on April 9, and the Greens meet the Colony side on April 10.

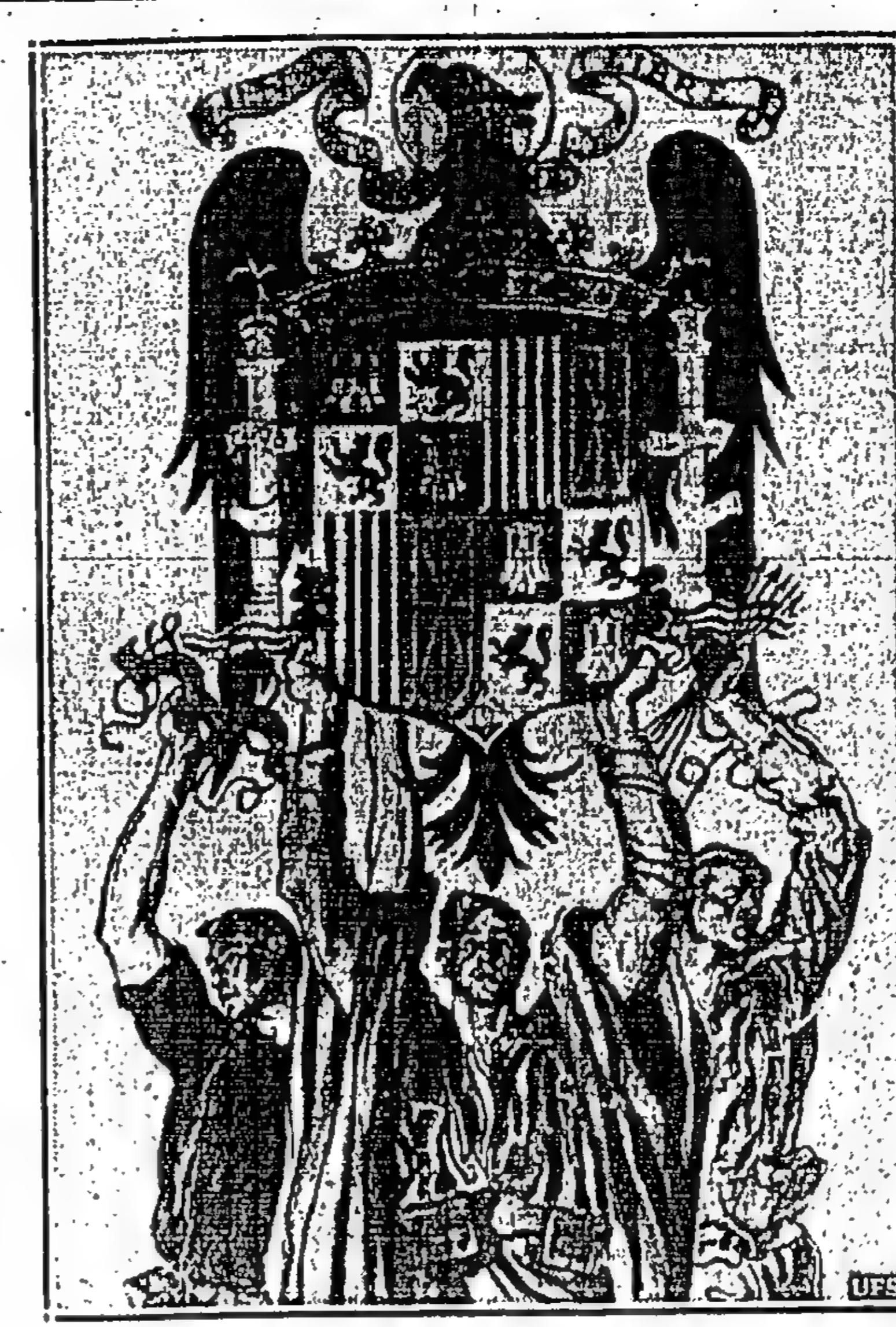
Several tennis and tea parties have been arranged in honour of the Hongkong team, but the main event will be the Interport dance at the Shanghai Race Club on April 11.—Reuters.

World Wheat Production

CANBERRA, Mar. 29.—The world production of wheat this year is estimated at 1,100,000,000 bushels.

This is about double the quantity required for consumption.

J. Watson of 146 Boundary Street, had his car No. 1950 stolen from the car park opposite the Y. M. C. A., Kowloon, yesterday afternoon. The car is valued at \$2,000.



This is the coat of arms of Insurgent Spain, which will become the official coat of arms for all Spain, when General Francisco Franco is declared completely victorious. Figures are the three types of men fighting for Franco—Legionnaire, Phalangist and Navarrese.

Threw Chair Into Plate Glass At Cafeteria

Kai Tak's 3,650,000 Letters

DURING the last six months 3,650,000 letters have been handled through the Kai Tak Airport, a figure which represents in weight, 65 tons of mail.

Of this, 43 tons or million and a quarter letters, were despatched to or from England. The remainder is made up by participant countries—in the Empire—mail scheme.

Asked if he had anything to say, Woods said he had been insulted by some Chinese, but he did not understand what was said.

An officer of the R.A. was present in Court, and said Woods' conduct and character could be described as

SOLDIER IS FINED \$25

Charged with causing malicious damage by breaking two pieces of plate glass at the Stanley Cafeteria yesterday, Private Patrick Woods, R.A., Stanley Forts, was fined \$25 or one month hard labour by Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy this morning. He was also ordered to pay \$35 compensation.

Defendant admitted the charge. Sergeant R. D. Paton said Woods went up to the Cafeteria about 4 p.m. yesterday, picked up a chair which was lying outside the cafe, and threw it against the plate glass. He had no cause to do this, and just walked slowly away after the incident. He was followed and arrested by an Indian constable.

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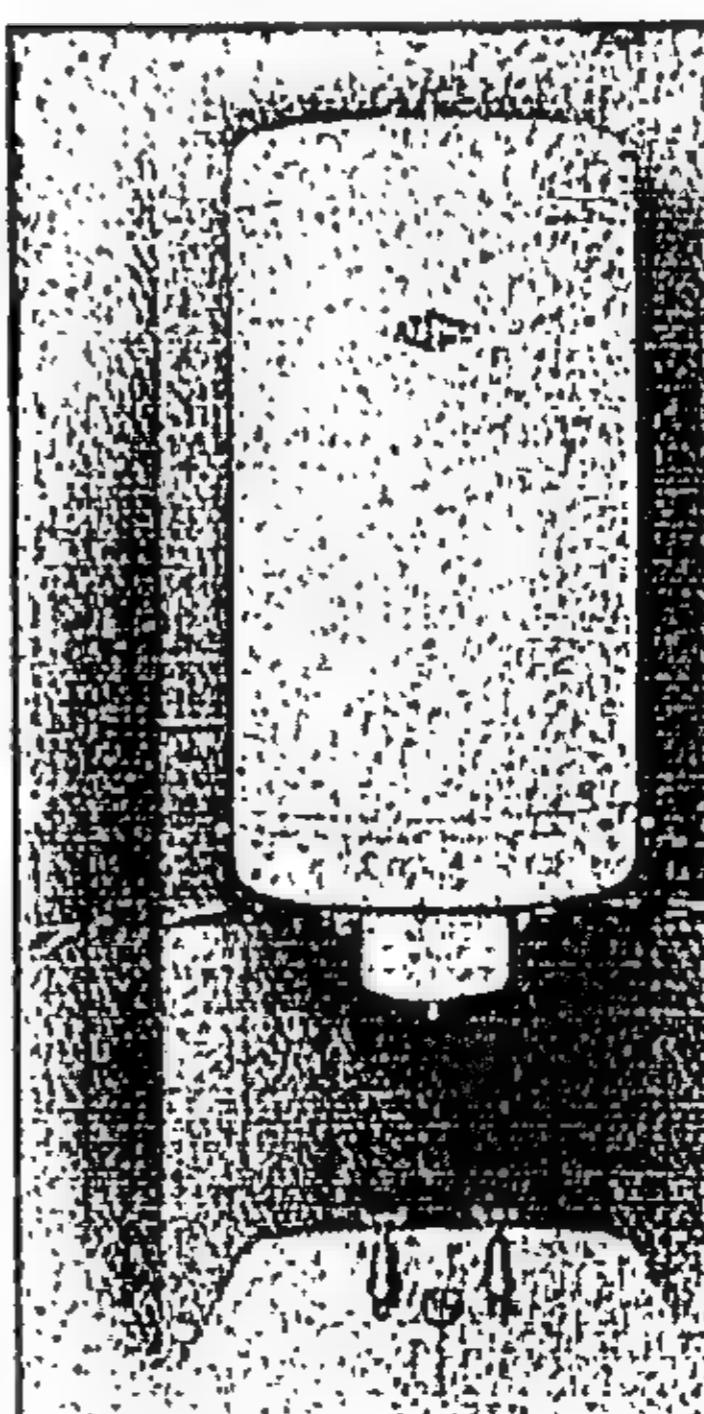


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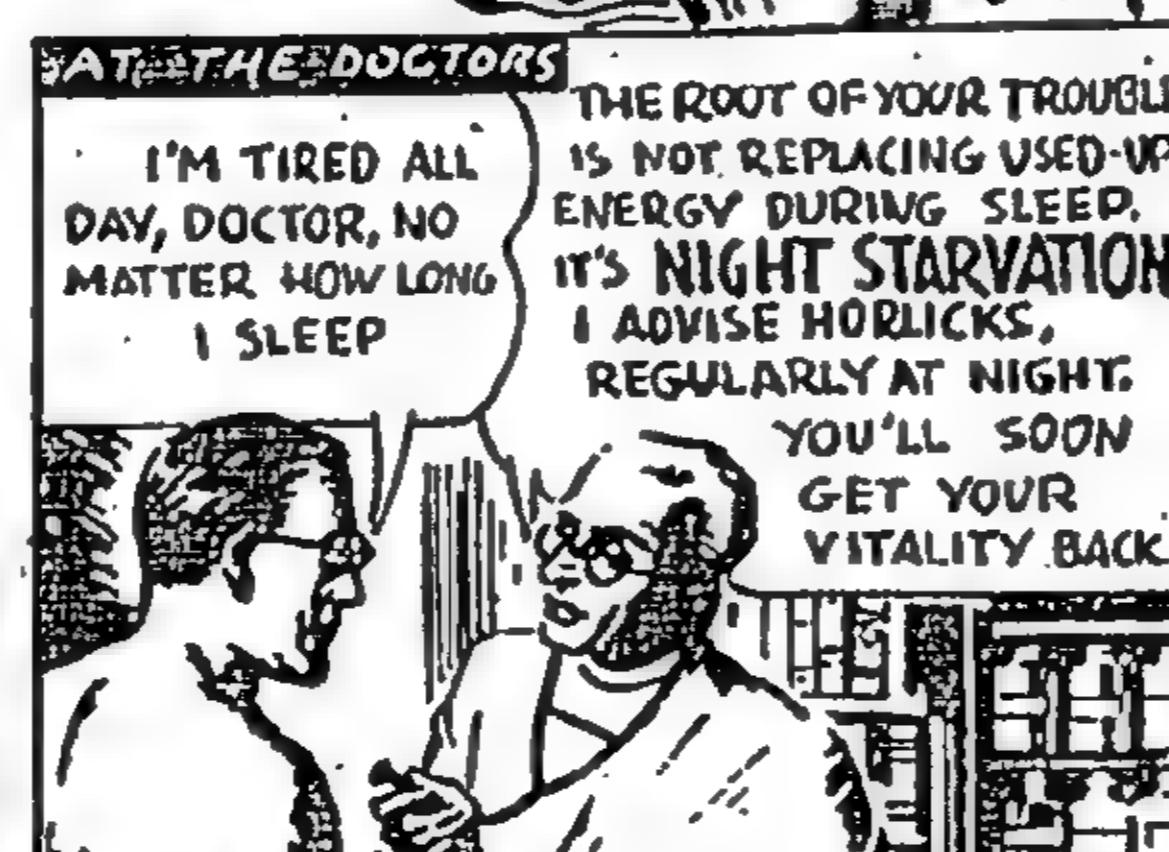
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Secret Short-Wave Radio Station Found In New Territories Raid

A SECRET SHORT-WAVE transmitting station for which the radio authorities have been searching for some time was discovered as the result of a raid this week on premises at Taipo in the New Territories.

The station was operated by Chinese, who used it to communicate with other stations outside Hongkong territory.

There was a sequel to the raid this morning when four Chinese appeared before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy, charged with having maintained, worked and used a radio station in contravention to the Telecommunications Ordinance of 1936.

Two of the defendants, who were servants at the premises, were discharged by the Magistrate.

The remaining two, Poon Fuk-san, a wireless operator, and Chiu Yau-sau, an accountant, have been remanded for a week.

They have been released on bail of \$1,500 each.

CIVIL SERVANTS FALL OUT

TWO GOVERNMENT SERVANTS, one a postman and the other a sanitary inspector, were the complainant and the defendant respectively in an assault summons heard by Mr. E. Hinsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

The postman was Li King-fat, letter unless she chopped it with a chop registered in the Post Office. He accused Sanitary Inspector Tang Ho-yam of punching him in the nose on the stairway of a house in Taipo Road on March 20. Trouble was said to have arisen over a registered letter.

Represented by Mr. C. A. S. Russ, Tang denied the accusation.

Lai said that on the evening of March 20 he was outside a house in Taipo Road when the defendant stopped him and struck him a blow on the nose. The defendant had said "to you intend not to give," and Lai inferred that the defendant was referring to a registered letter.

Cross-examined by Mr. Russ, Lai said that earlier in the day he had called at the defendant's house to deliver a registered letter. The defendant's wife had opened the door and he had refused to give her the letter.

Further questioned, Lai said: "A European can sign a letter because European has passports, but not Chinese."

Mr. Russ: Do you mean that a European has to produce his passport? (Continued on Page 4.)

This is the highest number of death sentences in one trial since fifteen pirates were tried, sentenced and hanged in 1927 for participation in the Sunning and Irene pirates.

Immediately after his discharge by the Chief Justice this afternoon, Leung Chau was re-arrested on a charge of armed robbery.

He will be tried during the April Criminal Sessions.

The four condemned men will be taken to Stanley Prison to await execution or the Executive Council's final decision on their case.

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The charge against them was for the murder of Leung Hung, 60, co-partner of the Woo Fung money-changer's and merchant's shop in Wuhu Street, Hung Hom, in the course of a robbery with other persons not in custody in the early hours of February. The murdered man was gagged with an orange, which displaced his false teeth and choked him to death.

Went To Police

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After reading that one of the victims had died, Lai Chau, a member of the gang, went to the Police the following day and gave information which led to the arrest of the principals.

A: The new Sultan was enthroned and underwent a ceremonial purification. Unlike other Malayan rulers, Sultans of Perak do not wear a crown.

Q: What are the new Sultan's interests in life?

A: He is one of the recognised experts on rice cultivation and knows as much about the subject as his British advisers. His hobbies are tennis, golf and gardening. He has played in, and won, many tennis tournaments in Malaya against all comers.

Unusual Aspects

"The case is not only serious but unusual, in that although there are five prisoners in the dock," said the Chief Justice, in summing up, "the Crown does not suggest that the men who actually caused the death of Leung Hung are among the prisoners."

"What the Crown says is that each of the prisoners is equally guilty because they were all members of a conspiracy, the clear object of which was to commit a robbery with violence."

You, gentlemen of the Jury, must consider the case of each prisoner separately, and before you could convict any one of them you must be satisfied that he was a member of the gang, that he went with his fellow-robbers to the premises and that violence was used for the purpose of carrying out the crime."

The evidence had established beyond doubt that there had been a robbery, that the victims were bound and gagged, and that the robbers took with them oranges, wire and tape for the purpose. Further, it had been established that the old man met his death as a result of their actions.

Connivance Of Fok

The evidence as to the preliminary conversation between the members of the gang and their actions before the robbery did not concern the first prisoner at all, the reason being that he was already in the premises.

The case against him in brief was that it was only with his connivance that the robbers were able to gain admittance.

There was no evidence that he took part in the robbery, for he himself was gagged and bound, but if the Jury were satisfied that he opened the door for his fellow robbers, then he was equally guilty, irrespective of the fact that he was tied up and that he made an outcry about his own loss.

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CHIEF JUSTICE DONS BLACK CAP

FOUR MEN WILL HANG FOR KILLING

Four of the five accused in the "False Teeth Murder Case" were sentenced to death by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor at the Criminal Sessions this morning, after the Jury had deliberated for two hours.

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The defence in respect of Leung Chau was a denial that he admitted the robbers. The case for the other prisoners was that while admitted they went there to rob them but had no intention of committing murder.

Mr. J. Whittall, Crown Counsel, prosecuted, with the assistance of Detective-Inspector A. E. Carey; Mr. Hin-shing Lo, instructed by Mr. C. Y. Kwan, was for Leung Chau, while the other four men found guilty were defended by Mr. H. W. Lee on the instructions of Mr. P. Y. Woo.

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MOSQUITO "BREEDER" FINED \$5

"THERE ARE more complaints for mosquitoes this year than for the last six years," said Sanitary Inspector J. McAlister Boyd to Mr. E. Hinsworth at the Kowloon Magistracy to-day when a summons against Cheng Fat was heard.

Cheng was summoned for having failed to abate the breeding of mosquitoes in water holes and water logged land in Shek Kap Mi village. A jar bottle containing a large quantity of live mosquito larvae were an exhibit in the case. Cheng was fined \$5, and warned that if the nuisance was not abated next week he would be more heavily fined.

PLAY IN TWO ACTS

THE SCENE: Wyndham Street, City, outside the Police barracks. THE ACTORS: Twenty Indian and Chinese watchmen.

THE TIME: 10 a.m.

The scene opens with 20 Indian and Chinese watchmen kicking each other vigorously.

FLASH-BACK

THE SCENE: Same. THE ACTORS: 20 Indian and Chinese watchmen, a Chinese woman and a Chinese watchman.

THE TIME: 8.35 a.m.

Vu-Yut-oh, 45-year-old married woman, was passing the Watchmen's Barracks along Wyndham Street this morning when a young man dressed in coolie clothes rushed up and snatched her ear-rings.

She raised the alarm. But the thief was off like a flash, watched in amazement by 20 astonished Chinese and Indian watchmen and a bewailing woman.

CURTAIN.

The P. & O. liner Canton left Shanghai yesterday and is due here at about 4 p.m. to-morrow.

prisoner not only lost his gold ring but was completely ignored by his fellow-robbers when the distribution of the spoils took place. This, His Lordship pointed out, must play very prominently in the minds of the jury.

Accused's Confessions

Dealing with the case against the other four prisoners, His Lordship said that the evidence against them was given by a self-confessed member of the gang, who, in law, was an accomplice. It would be very unsafe to accept his evidence so far as it affected the prisoners, unless he was corroborated, but in this case there was no lack of corroboration, for each of the accused had made a statement telling in the frankest manner just how they took part in the robbery. There never had been any attempt by any of the prisoners to disguise the fact that they were members of the gang.

None of these four prisoners had given evidence denying that they had taken part in the robbery, and if the Jury were satisfied they had a common design they were all guilty, for it mattered not whether they were actually inside or outside the premises at the time.

"Hard Up" For Money

After the Jury had returned their verdicts and before sentence of death was passed, Lam Kam-chuen stated that he had gone to the premises because he was "hard up" for money. He had no intention of murdering anyone.

Both Fung Chak and Li Shek-man stated that Lam Hol and Cheung To, members of the gang not in custody, had committed the murder.

Leung Tai said he had been fooled by Leung Fung, who told him that the robbery would be "as easy as picking money up from the ground."

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

25 YEARS AGO

The U.S. Consul-General in Hongkong, Mr. G. E. Anderson, reported to Washington: "Although the chief portion of the Colony of Hongkong is an island composed almost entirely of a mountain ridge, in which roads have been constructed in the past only for pedlars, sedan chairs, or rickshaws, and mostly at exceedingly steep grades, a paved roadway has been completed to the mainland. Some 40 or more garages are now in use in the colony, and three garages are doing a thriving business in renting cars for tourists' pleasure parties.

There is a strong movement in the colony towards the extension of all roadways on the lower levels and on the mainland portion of the colony so as to accommodate automobile traffic. The extension of roadways into the interior of the mainland is difficult, in view of a range of high hills to be crossed, a considerable amount of re-modelling for military purposes has already been done and further extension and widening of this system are being made as funds and opportunity are had. The prospects of considerable road extension for motor purposes are favourable, and it is probable that the extension will be carried out as far as the Chinese frontier, particularly to Fanling, a popular golf course, will be made in the immediate future."

10 YEARS AGO

Captain D. D. Richards, acting master, Chinshui, has gone acting master, Shantung; Captain J. Beck, of the Huichow, has gone master, Chinshui.

Captain E. M. Geille, of the Kwel-yang, has gone master, Huichow.

Captain H. A. Abbott, from Home leave, has gone master, Kwel-yang.

Captain A. N. Taylor, from reserve, has gone master, Shantung.

Mr. A. Aborne, chief officer, Fatshan, is on reserve; Mr. T. Goffin, chief officer, Kuklung, has gone chief officer; Captain H. S. Paterson, chief officer, Shantung, has gone chief officer, Kuklung.

Mr. F. E. Neyon, has been appointed second officer, Huichow; Mr. A. M. Buchanan, second officer, Huichow, is on reserve.

Mr. J. McKinlay, chief officer, Huichow, is on reserve.

Mr. J. H. Griffiths, chief officer, Kunghow, is on reserve. Mr. J. H. McLaren, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Kunghow.

Mr. D. Brothick, chief officer, Chenan, is on reserve; Mr. W. Orwin, from Home leave, has gone chief officer, Chenan.

Mr. R. Keen, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Sul Tai.

Mr. E. Burns, extra chief engineer officer, Haik Pekin, has gone chief engineer officer, Lingchow; Mr. H. T. Hindson, extra chief engineer officer, Yingchow, has gone acting chief engineer officer, Wanlu.

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The Rev. J. R. Hayes, M.A., is to take the place of the Rev. W. Walton Rogers, M.A., as Vicar of St. Andrew's Church, on Saturday next by the Rev. W. Walton Rogers will preach his farewell sermon on Sunday evening next, at 6 p.m.

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Defence and Nutrition

THE DIFFICULTIES of assessing nutrition values and the fact that the scope of its inquiries embraces extraneous subjects which are required only for statistical purposes by the Colonial Office renders it certain that the sittings of the Hongkong Nutrition Committee will be protracted into 1940.

In the meantime, presumably, it is proposed that the Government should sit back and await the Committee's Report before attempting to so much as tackle the problem of mal-nutrition in this Colony.

It is abundantly clear, without calling for a Report from any Committee, that thousands of children and infants in Hongkong are being denied the nourishment they must have if they are to become healthy adult citizens.

We have been informed that the cost of a bowl of soup containing the requisite vitamins that will allow a mother to nourish her child is but one cent; that for less than \$40,000 per annum, the Society for the Protection of Children can provide one free bowl of soup per day in every day of the year to ten thousand mal-nourished mothers.

Although the Colony can reluctantly perhaps find sufficient revenue to pay six million dollars per annum to the Imperial Government as contribution towards Imperial Defence, it can distribute but a fraction of this sum for charitable purposes. The Colony has spent enormous sums since the beginning of the century on Defence Contributions—it would not be an over-estimation to say that the total in the past four decades has exceeded \$100,000,000—and the net result is that, if the entire population of Hongkong were wiped out tomorrow by war, the loss in human life would be infinitely less than if, in the same period, a tenth part of \$100,000,000 had been spent in tackling the problem of the under-nourished child.

Statistics reveal that the Colony's infantile mortality ranks amongst the world's highest—Incomplete returns show that approximately one in every three infants dies before it reaches the age of twelve months. Death is caused in the majority of cases, not by lack of attention from the infant's mother, but from lack of nourishment from the mother's breasts.

We are conscious of the fact—the War Office, has been at pains to make it public this year—that the cost to the Imperial Government of maintaining the Army Garrison in Hongkong is five-fold the amount annually remitted to London as this Colony's defence contribution. At the same time, we are not convinced that the bargain is a good one. The garrison is not here primarily to protect the citizen of Hongkong; it is here as an integral part of the British defence system in the Pacific, and we have no doubt that, if strategy dictated such a move in time of war, Hongkong would quickly be left to its fate, despite our substantial contributions towards the upkeep of the Army.

We realize that it is only just and right, in these times of international stress, that this Colony should contribute substantially towards the common defence of the Empire. But we are convinced that in no part of the Empire is Government called upon to contribute twenty per cent of its total revenue, both municipal and general, towards the upkeep of the Army.

Whichever way we look at it, we cannot see but that expenditure on legitimate undertakings for the common weal of the taxpayer is being starved in order to contribute an unfair and undue proportion of the revenue for military undertakings. It must be obvious that a lessening of the defence burden would result in a proportionate increase in real

They Were Not Afraid To Die

By DONALD HODSON

Twenty-seven years ago, on March 29, 1912, Captain R. E. Scott wrote in his diary: "It seems a pity, but I do not think I can write more. For God's sake look after our people."

For ten days he and the two companions that remained of the four that had reached the South Pole with him had been held up by a blizzard. And for ten days they had been slowly dying of starvation and exhaustion.

That entry in Scott's diary was the last flicker of life in one of the greatest but one of the most unfortunate of all voyages of exploration. From the moment when they came across the traces of the Norwegian Roald Amundsen, who beat them to the Pole by a few weeks, their luck had turned against them. The difficulties they had to face were greater than was humanly possible to overcome.

Scott's second Antarctic expedition was, unlike the first, entirely his own responsibility. He wanted to complete the knowledge of the South he had acquired on the Discovery expedition ten years earlier, and his purpose was primarily scientific. It was to attract funds from the public that he made the Pole his objective.

With Scott were Dr. E. A. Wilson, zoologist; Captain L. E. G. Oates, of the Inniskilling Dragoons; Lieutenant H. R. Bowers, of the Royal Indian Marine; and Seaman Edgar Evans, of the Royal Navy.

Some way beyond 89 degrees South the first Norwegian cairn was sighted and they knew they had been beaten. They pushed on to the Pole, reaching it on January 17, and picked up Amundsen's messages. He had camped there on December 16, just a month earlier. "All the day-dreams must go," wrote Scott. "It will be a wearisome return."

The cold and the wind began to get the better of them. On the high plateau the temperatures averaged minus 10 degrees Fahrenheit, 51 degrees of frost, and this, with a wind of anything up to gale force. At the Pole itself the temperature was minus 22 degrees Fahrenheit.

Six hundred miles of the ice barrier were covered before a man of the party began to blizzard down on them at succumb. His nose was badly frost-bitten and his hands were covered with frost-bite blisters. Oates suffered from frozen feet.

Blizzards overtook them, and food and energy were dissipated very short. Wilson suffered agonies from snow-blindness. Evans cut his knuckle and it festered. His fingernails were now rotting and falling out.

When the weather cleared, three teams of four men carried on up the glacier. Near the top one team was sent back. Two parties struggled on to the bleak desolation of the 10,000 foot high plateau where the Pole itself is situated. They were cut off from the outside world. His strength was now failing rapidly.

More accidents beset them. Wilson strained a tendon, Scott slipped on the ice and hurt his shoulder, and by the time they reached the glacier head and left the plateau Bowers was the only fit man.

They started down the glacier on February 8. On the way down Evans fell and concussed himself, and on February 17, at the foot of the glacier, he had another fall, was brought in on the sledge, and died the same night without recovering consciousness.

Their morale severely shaken, they pushed on, gradually weakening.

It suddenly became much colder. Temperatures fell to minus 30 degrees F. by day and minus 40 degrees F. by night. The oil supply at their next depot was unaccountably short. Oates' feet were much worse.

On March 10 Scott's diary reads: "Things steadily downhill"; on March 11, "Oates is very near the end, one feels." They divide up the medical means of ending their lives.

On March 17 Oates managed to struggle on with them till they camped. That evening, with a blizzard raging outside, he got up and said, "I am just going outside and may be some time." They never saw him again. He walked out to his death so that he should no longer be a drag on them. He not only gave them another

chance, but spared them the pain of watching him die.

But the survivors were in little better condition. The extreme cold and the blizzards continued. On March 18, Scott writes: "My right foot has gone, nearly all the toes." And a day later: "Amputation is the least I can hope for, but will the trouble spread?"

That night, the 20th, they camped only eleven miles from their next depot. It was their last camp. They had food for only four days and practically no fuel.



On March 29 comes the last entry. They had decided that it should be a natural death. Seven months later the search party found them lying in the tent, as if asleep.

There have been many post-mortems held on the fate of Scott and his companions. There is nothing that can be added now. Scott's own "Message to the Public," written in those last days, explained the major reasons. "The causes of the disaster are not due to faulty organisation, but to misfortune in all risks which had to be undertaken."

Their failure was due first and foremost to the weather, which was far worse than they could reasonably have expected from previous experience. Next, the shortage of paraffin at the depots, which Scott could not explain, but was due to seepage through the faulty stoppers of the tin containers. Then, according to Mr. Cherry-Garrard, one of the zoologists of the expedition, the food allowances were inadequate, both as regards calories existent. Even on full rations they were undernourished.

Nervous energy alone drove them on. They refused until the last moment to admit their defeat. At the end of it, Scott could write, "For my own sake, I do not regret this journey, which has shown that Englishmen can endure hardships, help one another and meet death with as great a fortitude as ever in the past."

It is for this spirit with which they faced the hardships that in the end overcame them that their names have not been and will not be forgotten.

"I ASKED MUSSOLINI"

Q. Some say you are Hitler's puppet. Is it true?

A. Our record in international affairs indicates a sleepless vigilance to build peace and make friends. More peace, more friends.

"We yield nothing of our autonomy nor do we allow our power to be used as pawn by others." (p. 206.)

"Speaking of foreign policy in relation to the different groups of Powers, I summarised my thoughts with this definition: 'We cannot allow ourselves either a plan of insane altruism or one of complete subservience to the plans of the other peoples. Ours is a policy of autonomy, then. It shall be firm and severe.'" (pp. 204-5.)

"I am rated as a leader who preaches and not one who follows." (p. 151.)

Q. You have 215,000 Germans in South Tyrol, south of the Brenner Pass. Do you think you

A. ... We find ourselves at the Brenner Pass now, and ... at the Brenner we will remain at any price." (p. 120.) "... the sacred limits of the Brenner." (p. 130.)

Q. How long do you think you and Hitler will stick together?

A. "Only in front of the magnitude and suggestiveness of danger, only after having lived together in the anxieties and torments of war, can one measure the soundness of a friendship or measure in advance how long it is destined to go on." (p. 31.)

Q. What service we can't do for the public. The most urgent service is that of the common weal of the taxpayer. But we are being starved in order to contribute an unfair and undue proportion of the revenue for military undertakings.

Q. ... The future not of one nation, but of many nations, was on the scale. There was also the feeling of common culture which was compelling us to forget past and present quarrels. I could not bear the idea

Second article of a new series in which questions are put to the Duce by an interpreter—and answered from Mussolini's "My Autobiography."

Q. But on the last occasion Germany and Italy were allies and down Germany and entered the great war on the side of the Allies. Why?

A. Italy had renewed the Triple Alliance.

"It had been a marriage without trust, and without trust, brought about more in order to counterbalance military power than by political necessity.

"As a matter of fact the treaty called only for action if one or more of the nations of the Triple Alliance was assaulted by a nation outside the alliance. We were kept in the dark, as I well knew. That was enough to break the pact—to free us from further obligations to that alliance.

"One of the first courageous actions in which Italy showed the measure of her independence and strength was recognition of this." (p. 35.)

Q. What did you think of Germany's action in the war?

A. "Public opinion in Italy was deeply moved facing war with Germany's invasion of East France. There was the description, with horrible details, of German methods, and above all, the every sense of right and humanity.

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A. "The event for Europe was the end of a nightmare. The continual disillusionments, the reserves and protests of Germany and the tribes between the Allies constituted a permanent danger and a reason for anxiety for many nations. The conclusion of the treaty was, therefore, for them, a liberation.

"For Italy, on the contrary, it was a complete shattering of ideals.

"We had won the war; we were utterly defeated in the diplomatic battle. We were losing the whole of Dalmatia, our land by tradition and history. The colonial problem was resolved for us in an absolutely negative way." (p. 35.)

Q. What do you think of your new friends, the Jugoslavs?

A. "The Serbian mentality which is old, and still does, work itself along the subterranean tunnels of secret societies." (p. 35.)

Q. How would you define a good politician?

A. "True men, in politics, must be animated by the humane and devout sense; they must have a regard, a love and a deep vision toward their fellow-creatures. And these qualities must not be diluted by dissimulations or rhetoric, or flattery, or compromises, or servile concessions." (p. 35.)

Q. And do you fit this definition?

A. "On this ground at least I am proud to know myself as one not to be suspected—even by myself—and feeling as to my invincible moral fibre that this fibre is invincible."

"I believe that this, above all else, has been the stuff and fabric of my strength and success." (p. 35.)

TO-MORROW:
"I do not sleep my way to conclusions."

JAPANESE ANTI-BRITISH FEELING OFFICIAL ADMITS IT IS NOW VERY POWERFUL

No Chance of British Mediation in China

LONDON, Mar. 28. A RESPONSIBLE Japanese spokesman to-day told the "United Press" that Japan would refuse British mediation in the Far East. He denied that Mr. Quo Tai-chi's talks with Lord Halifax yesterday had been in connection with possible British mediation.

He argued that Britain is too deeply involved in China to be an impartial peace-maker, pointing specifically to Britain's credits to China. Also he said that anti-British feeling runs so high in Japan that British intercession would be utterly unacceptable.

It is believed here that the conference between Sir Robert Graigie and Sir Archibald Clark Kerr to be held in Shanghai is primarily due to British anxiety to relieve the ruinous effects of the Japanese closure of the Yangtze and Pearl rivers, and also from fear that Japan will employ Hitler's methods and gain control of the International Settlement in Shanghai.

NO PEACE PARLEYS

The Japanese in London also express the belief that Sir Robert Graigie will also see the Japanese Charge d'Affaires and local Army and Navy chiefs in Shanghai, but they doubt whether he will invite peace parleys.

The wish to relax the acute Anglo-Japanese tension is resulting in a controversy in the British Concession in Tientsin which the Japanese say, is a hotbed of Chinese terrorists, and which has prompted the British decision to send a Military Attaché from Tokyo soon to Tientsin.

The British counter charge is that the Japanese are trying to provoke incidents in Tientsin as a pretext for encroaching on or taking over foreign concessions.—United Press.

Chinese To Forego Shark's Fin

CHUNGKING, Mar. 28. "There shall be no shark's fin for any feast from now on." This notification has been issued by the Shanghai Chinese Chamber of Commerce to all merchants' guilds, according to a Shanghai report.

The ban is imposed not only in order to boycott Japanese principal exports, but also for the sake of economy at this emergency time.

The shark's fin is a favourite Chinese food. Before the outbreak of the war, there was a large import every year.—Central News.

New Slovak Law Raises German Protest

PRESSBURG, Mar. 28. The German Party in Slovakia has protested against a law decreed here. The law stipulates that all lawyers not resident in Slovakia on October 31, 1938, or whose fathers were not Slovakian residents at that time, will have to discontinue their practice.

The protest argues that a large number of German lawyers, but only a small number of Jewish lawyers, will be affected by the decree.

The protest says that the Slovak Government will have to decide whether the law should generally be in favour of Jews, and to the detriment of Germans.—Trans-Ocean.

Italy

Italians To Celebrate Air Force Day

ROME, Mar. 28. Italian Air Force Day, destined to commemorate the enactment of the law of March 29, 1923, creating an autonomous air arm as an integral part of the fighting forces, was celebrated throughout the country to-day. In Rome wreath was laid by two Italian Legionaries from Spain at the monument of the Unknown Soldier in Piazza Venezia in the presence of Signor Mussolini and 3,000 airmen, including 3,000 Legionaries.

In front of the "Altar of the Fatherland" a Due subsequently decorated a number of airmen with the gold service medal, while rela-

Wife Of Seaforth Dies Here

FLORENCE Waller, 35 year-old wife of Serjeant Waller of the Seaforth Highlanders, died at the Queen Mary Hospital yesterday after an illness of three months. Her husband has been stationed at Shamshuipo, instead of going with the Battalion to Shanghai.

Decedent was a native of London. She leaves a widower and three children.

The funeral takes place at Happy Valley at 4.30 p.m. to-day.

HUGE WARSHIPS FOR U.S.

Roosevelt Says Japan Is Cause

WASHINGTON, Mar. 28. IT HAS been revealed from the White House that President Roosevelt has approved the Navy Department's plans for the construction of 45,000 ton warships.

However, Mr. Stephen Early, the President's secretary, did not state how many it is proposed to construct.

It is believed, however, that the President approved the construction of two for which the funds will be sought during this session of Congress.

The oral approval given to Admiral Leahy was based on information that foreign powers are constructing warships in excess of 30,000 tons.—United Press.

JAPAN THE CAUSE

Washington, Mar. 28. President Roosevelt in a statement to the press said that among other factors causing him to approve the construction of 45,000 ton battleships was the refusal of Japan to agree to adhere to the limitation of construction to 35,000 tons.

The President refused to specify any other reasons.—United Press.

ANGLO-FRENCH JOINT OPERATIONS

PARIS, Mar. 28. Chief of the French General Staff, Marshal Gamelin, Vice-Admiral Francois Darlan, Air Force General Georges Vuillemin, together with the head of the British Supreme War Council, General Viscount Gort, have arrived to inspect the Maginot Line and to discuss plans for joint operations in the event of war.—United Press.

NEW HOSPITAL

Appeal for Money to Cover Cost of Building

London, Mar. 28. Efforts are being made to complete the entire cost of rebuilding Westminster Hospital on the new site close to that opposite the Abbey which it has occupied for over 100 years, before the new building is opened by the King next month. An appeal for £100,000 was issued on March 8 and so far £60,000 has been raised, including a gift yesterday of £25,000 by the Chairman of the Hospital, Mr. Bernard Docker, British Wives.

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Chamberlain Denies Cabinet Split

London, Mar. 28. Press reports and rumours in political circles to the effect that there exists a divergence of opinion within the Cabinet on matters of foreign policy were emphatically denied by the Prime Minister in an address before the members of the conservative St. Stephen's Club, when Mr. Chamberlain was the guest of honour at a dinner this evening.

Mr. Chamberlain once more reviewed the political developments since Munich, and expressed the conviction that the policy pursued at Munich by the British Government was completely justified, since no other course was possible at the time.

Referring to his recent statement in the House, Mr. Chamberlain said that the Government was sharing the anxiety of many members of the House, but was unable to make a comprehensive statement on the situation due to the fact that extremely delicate negotiations were going on at present.—Trans-Ocean.

"GRIEVOUS, SHOCKING EUROPEAN EVENTS"

But Pensions Minister Sees Some Good Come Out Of Them

LONDON, Mar. 28. GRIEVOUS AND SHOCKING as the recent European events have been, they have had a good result and provided a powerful stimulus to the enrolment in Britain in the various forms of national service, declared Mr. H. Rambetham, Minister of Pensions, in the course of a recruiting speech at Middlesbrough to-day.

When a great European State gives a solemn and deliberate pledge, he said, it has hitherto been legitimate to assume it to be of some value. But now that pledge has been broken and our course was clear.

It was the duty of everybody, regardless of occupation, to take part in some form of A.R.P., work, and with the establishment of our military forces incomplete, no sound young man could find a better place to serve the country in the hour of danger than in the armed forces.

There may be, at the moment, a feeling of jubilation among some sections of the German people at the spectacle of material success, but the price of it in the future may be heavy, concluded the speaker.—Reuter Special.

Franconia Due On A World Trip

SIXTY-EIGHT cars, divided into four parties of 17 each, will be required for sightseeing tours of Hongkong and the New Territories which Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son have arranged for the Franconia tourists when the great Cunard White Star luxury liner berths in Hongkong tomorrow.

The Franconia is due at 7 a.m. from Annam in French Indo-China. Her passengers, who number over 200, will stay here for only one day, during which they will be taken to the Peak, round the Island, and through the New Territories. At night they will be left to their own devices.

The Franconia sailed from New York on January 5 and is due back on May 31. She will then have travelled 35,000 miles on a route which has been attractively varied from the route taken in previous years.

Among the new ports of call are Sumatra, Kupang in Timor Island, where Captain Bligh is said to have landed the men he saved from the mutinous Bounty, Port Darwin, and the South Sea ports of Fiji in the New Hebrides, Noumea in New Caledonia, Jukualoa in the Friendly Islands, and Pago Pago in Samoa.

The Franconia will call at San Francisco for the Golden Gate Exposition before returning to New York via the Panama Canal.

Perhaps the most noteworthy of the 36 ports of call on the Franconia's itinerary was Tristan da Cunha, the loneliest island settlement of the British Empire. The visit of such a large liner was an event in the history of this island, a tiny extinct volcano midway between Montevideo and Cape Town with a population of 172, most of them descendants of shipwrecked sailors.

The House will not expect me to make a statement which cannot be completed until we are in possession of the final views of the other governments concerned.

Mr. Chamberlain asked the Premier whether, in order to remove apprehensions, he would go a little further and say whether the declaration which had been submitted to certain Powers was one for consultation, or whether it involved military commitments.

MORE THAN CONSULTATIONS

London, Mar. 28. Considerable importance is attached to the long conference which took place yesterday between the Polish Foreign Minister, Colonel Beck, and the German Ambassador, Herr von Molke. His importance is increased in view of the recent anti-German demonstrations in Poland, and the subsequent criticism voiced against Poland in the German press, which complained that the Treaty of Friendship of 1934 was not working satisfactorily.

No official statement has been issued here, however, and strict silence is maintained by all concerned on the outcome.—Trans-Ocean.

Mr. Chamberlain added: "The Government fully realises the urgency of this matter and the desirability of coming to a conclusion at the earliest

BRITISH REVENUE DOWN

£38,500,000 Short Of Budget Estimates

LONDON, Mar. 28.

THE FINANCIAL year ends at midnight on Friday. Up to last Saturday the total ordinary revenue amounted to £906,108,619. This was an increase of nearly £43,000,000 on a year ago, but was still £38,500,000 short of the budget estimate.

The principal source in which revenue has fallen short of the estimates is death duties, which have so far yielded £76,140,000, compared with £87,800,000 a year ago, and against an estimate of £88,000,000.

Total expenditure less self-balancing items for sinking funds, is £917,100,922, compared with £820,081 a year ago.

Ordinary expenditure also looks like being less than the total budgeted for, and provided by the supplementary estimates, which is £917,225,000.—British Wireless.



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PENAL SERVITUDE FOR DYNAMITE SABOTEURS

LONDON, Mar. 28. SUMMING UP in the Old Bailey trial in which eight men are being tried on charges of conspiring to cause explosions and arson, Mr. Justice Humphreys said to-day:

"When a person ceases to employ constitutional methods of altering the position of part of a British dominion, and employs methods of terrorism and incendiarism, causing explosions, and rendering the life of respectable law-abiding citizens impossible, then it is that the Crown invites those who are responsible for administering the law to act firmly, in doing what they can to suppress such illegal and dangerous acts."

"Those men regard themselves as patriots. Let them be patriots. Let every Irishman who thinks there ought to be an Irish Republic be a patriot. They are perfectly entitled to be."

"But these men are charged with committing criminal offence."

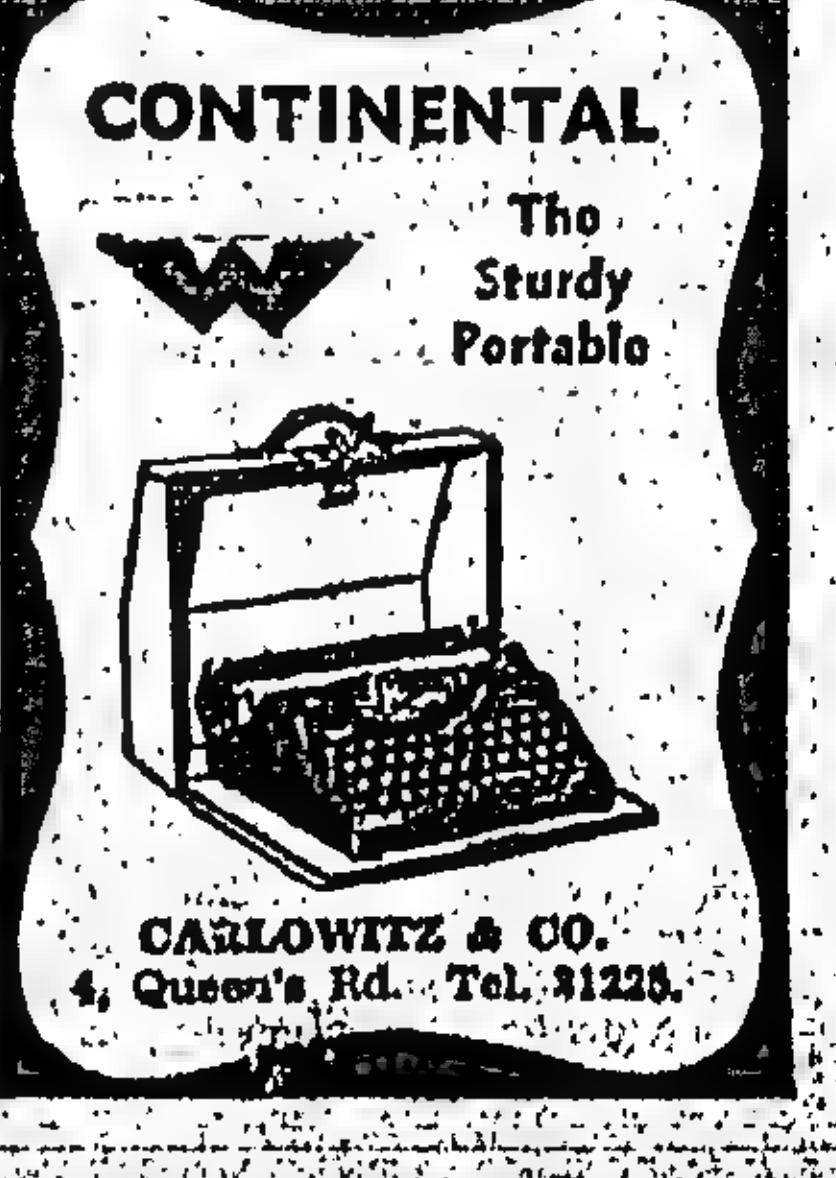
The eight accused were all found guilty and sentenced. One was sent to penal servitude for 17 years, another for 15 years, a third for 14 years, another for 12 years, two for 10 years, one for seven years, and the eighth to 18 months hard labour.—Reuter.

Anglo-Indian Pact Rejected

New Delhi, Mar. 28. The Indian Assembly, by 59 votes to 47, refused to-day to approve the Indo-British trade agreement.

The Moslem League abstained from voting.—Reuter.

CONTINENTAL
The Sturdy Portable
Spelling Bee
How many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?
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folicle stemograph
sedentary emoniated
English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.



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TENNIS CHAMPIONS NOT PRESSED BY OPPONENTS

TSUI BROTHERS ENTER 3RD ROUND OF DOUBLES

Though rain threatened all the time to drive players and spectators alike to shelter, it held off throughout the doubles match yesterday between the Tsui brothers and Omar Rumjahn and S. A. Hussain in the Colony Tennis Championships; but neither the conditions nor the state of the court were conducive to really good play.

As expected, the holders won with a comparative ease by scores of 6-3, 6-2. Their opponents started off as if they would give the brothers a run for their money and established a lead of 3-2 in the first set. But they failed to maintain their early promise and fell off badly in the end.

The latest stages of the encounter were extremely dull. They were relieved only in parts by the spasmodic brilliance of the champions who, not being extended, were not called upon to bring out their best.

Faulty position by Rumjahn and Hussain left many loops-holes for the brothers to break through, while the Indians' slowness in recovery also contributed to their downfall. When they were entrenched at the net they were beaten on several occasions by well-placed lobbs, neither Rumjahn nor Hussain being fast enough to retrieve them.

POLO

BRITAIN'S HOPES DIMMED BUT TEAM TO CARRY THROUGH

New York.
This was to have been the year the British really were going to be serious in their courting of the Westchester Polo Cup.

Periodically since 1914 the riders from overseas have made their bids, sometimes on their home soil, sometimes on this side of the Atlantic. But they were more or less flirtations. The Americans were too strong, and the Britons just hoped to make it interesting, to lose gracefully.

But this year Ah. Money was spent lavishly. The defeat complex was subdued. This was the year the huge Bowl, in the possession of the United States since 1921, was to return to England.

We still can see Gerald Balding, Captain of the British squad, as he loomed in the doorway of the United States Polo Association offices here in the bleak winter twilight recently. A big, ruddy-cheeked man who seemed to bring the breath of the great outdoors with him. He had come direct from the dock, this serious young stalwart to whom polo was life itself. Almost the first words he spoke were:

"Pat Roark was invited to join the squad at a meeting just before we sailed."

He couldn't hide his enthusiasm as he added that with the addition of Roark he felt the English had their best team since the war, and were really out to win, instead of just to make a presentable showing.

He himself was temporarily incapacitated. A pony had rolled on him last November, but he expected to be back in action by March 1.

EXCELLENT CHANCE

But despite his own incapacitation and the fact that Capt. Humphrey Guinness wouldn't be able to compete due to his military assignment in Palestine, Balding felt that with Roark, Eric Tyrrell-Martin, Hesketh Hughes, Bob Skene, John Laking, a youngster whose play verged on the sensational, and others with ratings of seven goals or better had an excellent chance of retrieving the cup from an American squad which could boast four 10-goal players.

Balding outlined the campaign plans, which included a first exhibition match at Medeville Feb. 10. The west coast matches were to serve as trials for b-4 riders and ponies, with the squad arriving at Long Island about May 1 to finish preparation for the June Challenge matches.

DREAMS TUMBLED

But the world of dreams had tumbled about the Britons. In that first coast match Pat Roark's horse fell, injuring him fatally.

The loss of the hard-riding, fiery Irishman, who knew no peer as a morale builder, on the surface would appear a finishing blow to the hopes of the British team, although there may be the possibility that such an effort might arouse team-mates to superb efforts which would carry them through to victory.

Many a contest in every sport has been won by a physically inferior individual or team which found inspiration in misfortune.

U.S. PREPARES FOR INVASION

New York.
The United States Polo Association has taken its first step to prepare for the English invasion next year in the International Series.

The Association invited 13 ranking American players to compete in the American trials to be held May 1, from which the squad will be selected to defend the International Cup against England's challenge.

The four top-flight polo players, Tommy Hitchcock, Cecil Smith, Stewart Iglesias and Michael Phipps were all invited to participate in the trials. Phipps was accorded a ten-goal rating recently by the Polo Association, marking the first time since 1925 that the American team has had four ten-goal handicap men as the nucleus of the International team.

Others invited to participate in the trials include Eric Pedley and Raymond Guest who boast eight goal handicaps; E. J. Boteler, William Post II, E. E. Goff, G. M. Postwick and Winston Guest, all men with seven-goal ratings; and C. V. Whitney and Robert Gerry Jr., who have six-goal handicaps.

Badminton

Semi-Final Matches Decided

Three matches were decided on the Talook court last evening in connection with the Colony Badminton Championships.

In the semi-finals of the Men's Junior Singles, D. Kwok and P. Lo had to play three sets before the former won.

In the Mixed Doubles, P. K. Hui and Miss U. Kho (holders) defeated K. L. Yong and Miss W. Cheung, while M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat C. Au and Miss A. Remedios.

The results were:

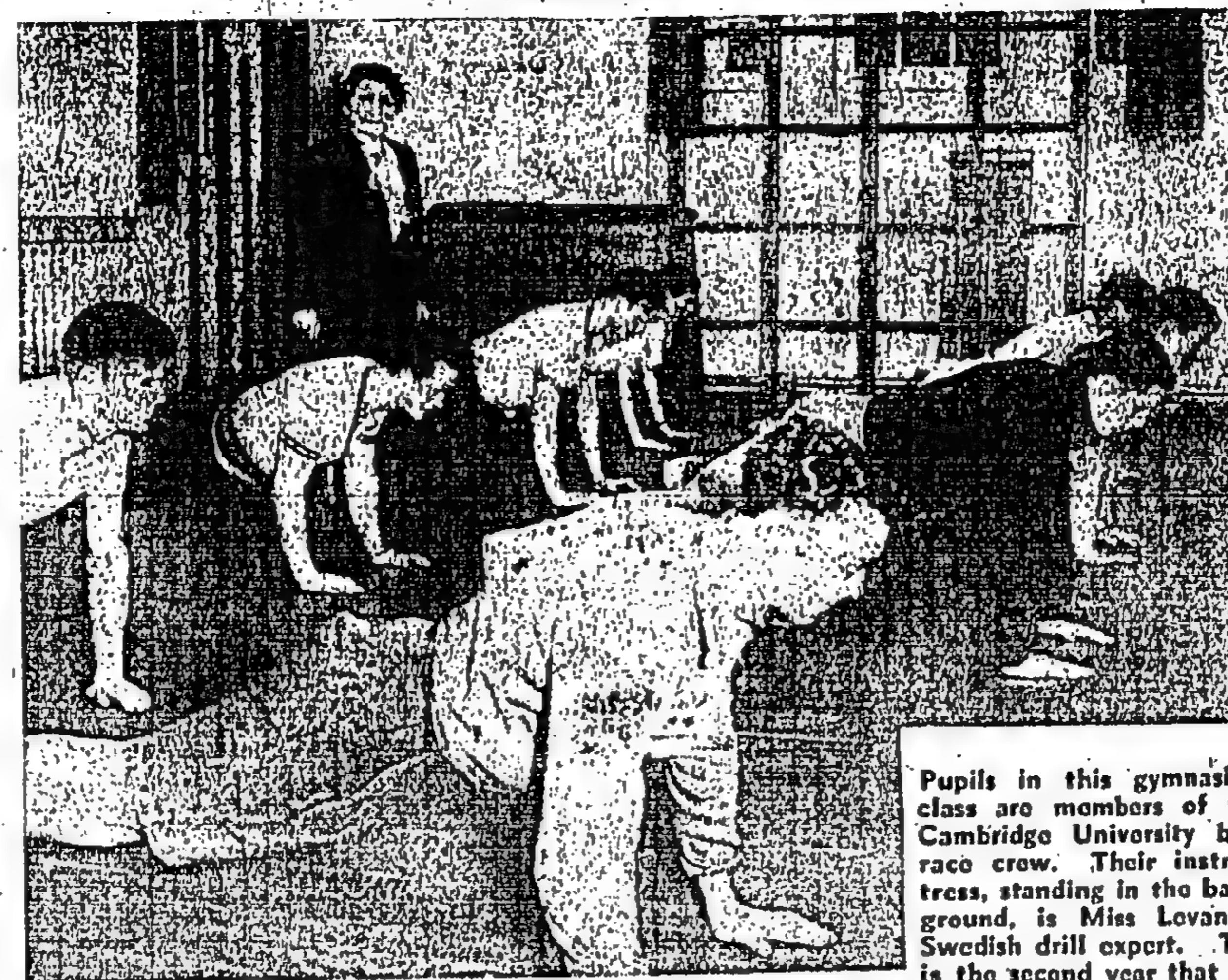
CONTENDERS ON TRIAL

D. Kwok beat P. Lo 16-0, 10-15, 15-7.

P. K. Hui and Miss U. Kho beat K. L. Yong and Miss W. Cheung, 15-7, 15-8.

M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat C. Au and Miss A. Remedios, 15-8, 15-10.

Woman Drills Boatrace Crew



Cambridge crew have done gymnastics under her instruction. Although Cambridge did not win the boat race last year, they stood up against the severe strain to which they were subjected very much better than had been expected. The boat race this year will be rowed on Saturday, April 1.

Boon-Danahar Plan Return Fight On Farr-Burman Bill

By John Macadam

London, Mar. 2.

Promoter Sydney Hulls, with the most terrific success in recent British boxing history under his belt, is not content to allow his cash customers any feeling of anti-climax. Before he sails for New York in the Queen Mary this week-end he promises to have a first-class second show card lined up.

Main proposal is to rematch Eric Boon and Arthur Danahar, and Hulls is getting round the difficulties engendered by those who say that Danahar can never again attempt to make the light-weight limit of 9st 9lbs. by fixing the fight at 10s.

That would be a comfortable weight for Danahar, and Boon would not mind the disparity.

That would be one half of the next bill, the other half he hopes to make up of Tommy Farr and Red Burman, the Jack Dempsey protege who so recently licked him in America, that is, Burman was given the decision, but Farr swears he was robbed.

READY FOR THE SIGNING

The conference was timed yesterday with Sydney Hulls, John Harding and Jack Solomons, Eric Boon's manager, in the West End of London. Solomons could not turn up, and final details of the Boon-Danahar fight were not arranged, but Sydney Hulls assured me last night that it was all over bar the signing.

At least, this time he has every incentive to go in and fight for his life. They have had one win each over the other, and the loser this time looks like being definitely out as big time prospect.

Home Football

RANGERS MAKE SURE OF LEAGUE

London, Mar. 28.

Glasgow Rangers made certain of the championship of the First Division in the Scottish Football League today by visiting Clyde and playing draw of 1-1. The point gained from this encounter ensures the Rangers of remaining at the top of the League Table irrespective of the results of their remaining matches.

The following were the results of the matches played:

Clyde 1 Rangers 1 Partick 4 Hibernian 0

LEAGUE TABLE

The following are the leading teams in the Scottish League:

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NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

40 Teams In Six-A-Side Hockey Tourney

Competition Divided Into Four Sections, Each With Ten Sides

Forty teams entered for the six-a-side hockey competition, organised by the Hongkong Hockey Association, the draw for which was completed yesterday. The tournament is divided into four sections, as designated by the respective grounds upon which the early matches are played. The winners of each section meet in the semi-finals and final, which will be played on the Hongkong Hockey Club ground.

Each section has ten teams, and the section competition will progress on the ordinary knock-out lines.

All matches, including the final, will be played off on Sunday, April 2. First round matches will commence at 2 p.m., sharp, and teams which are not on the grounds at that time will be disqualified. Second round matches will commence at 5.30 p.m., each team will provide two balls, and each player will turn up with a white shirt, together with his own Club colours.

Should the grounds be unfit for play, it will be so published, and the absence of such notice means that the competition is to be played.

The draw resulted as follows:

Navy Ground No. 1
First Round—9th A.A. v. Radio "B"; Recreco "A" v. R.A.O.C. "B".
Second Round—Nomads "B" v. 7th A.A.; Birmingham "B" v. Kumano "B"; Local Defence Flotilla v. Middlesex "A"; C. B. A. "A" or Perseus "B" v. Recreco "A" or R. A. O. C. "B".

In the semi-finals, the winners of Navy Ground No. 1 will meet the winners of C.B.S. Ground; the winners of Recreco Ground will meet winners of Navy Ground No. 2.

MID-WEEK MATCHES

St. Andrew's and Hongkong Hockey Club Teams Chosen

The following will represent St. Andrew's in the Cuor Clarke Cup hockey match against the "Y" Ladies on the "Y" Ground to-morrow at 5.30 p.m.

J. Hall; G. White and M. Roza; P. Petigura; J. Wong and H. Reid; F. Wong, E. Churn, I. Glittins, A. Zimmern, and T. Jex.

Brown Cup Team

The following will represent St. Andrew's in the Brown Cup hockey match against the "Y" on Friday, March 31, on the C.B.A. Ground at 5.15 p.m.:

H. O'Sullivan; M. Newman and J. Broadbridge; P. Jeffreys, Y. Ho and M. Vessona; S. Arnold, V. Jex, M. Churn, S. Roberts and T. Jex.

U.S. Protests To Japanese Bombings In Air Raids In China

PEIPING, Mar. 28.

THE UNITED STATES Embassy has protested to the Japanese authorities against four further bombings of United States property in China.

One concerned the bombing of mission property at Chengchow in Honan on March 23, this being the fifth occasion on which this property has been bombed since the hostilities began.

Others concerned the bombings of mission property at Sian in Shensi, Pingling in Kansu, and the property of an American oil company at Wanhsien in Szechuan.—Reuter.

Navy Ground No. 2
First Round—C.B.A. "A" v. Per-

sonal "B"; 8th R.A. "A" v. Middlesex "C".

Second Round—R.A.O.C. "A" v. Queen's College "B"; Olympus "B" v. Lower Deck, Medway; Seafire v. R. Engineers; Recreco "C" or 8th R.A. "B" v. 8th R.A. "A" or Middlesex "C".

Recreo Ground

First Round—Radio "B" v. Nomads "A"; Motor Torpedo Boats v. Middlesex "B".

Second Round—K.I.T.C. v. Middlesex "D"; 8th R.A. "C" v. Ellis Kiddooe School; R. Scots v. Recreco "B"; Radio "B" or Nomads "B" v. Motor Torpedo Boats or Middlesex "B".

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SPORT ADVTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Second Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 8th and Monday, 10th April, 1939, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; the Hong Kong Club; the Sports Club; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 30th March, 1939.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Big Black-Out In Scotland

London, Mar. 29.
One hundred miles of the Scottish coast, from Berwick to Dundee, were blacked-out to-night in Scotland's biggest A.R.P. test.

Forty bombers were to have participated in the black-out, but they were grounded at the last minute by wind and rain.

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'ARGUS' MADE NEWSMEN GASP AT DEMONSTRATION

A YOUNG MAN named Nathaniel Copeland wandered into the "Telegraph" office after the Final Edition went to bed yesterday and sat on the corner of a desk to yarn about Australia.

During the course of his conversation he casually produced a pack of playing cards.

"Pick one," he challenged.

I did. You've just picked the Queen of Hearts. It signifies for you that you'll be changing your residence at the end of the month."

I gasped, and patted my breast pocket, to make sure he hadn't glimpsed the lease I'd just signed for a new flat.

By this time a crowd of hard-boiled reporters were gathering.

"When am I going to leave?" one challenged in writing on a folded strip of paper.

The visitor looked thoughtful.

"You've written something about a holiday," he said after a pause. "Yes, that's it. You're going on leave. You will leave Hongkong by the steamer Potsdam next month."

Which, of course, is perfectly true.

It wasn't the end of his demonstration of the powers of telepathy. He gave the number on a one-dollar Hongkong bank-note, casually taken from the pocket of one of his audience.

He told another reporter his birthday.

A cable sub-editor, his mind haunted by the possibility of more and more crises (and, of course, more and more cables) asked hopefully in writing whether there would be a war in Europe.

No war.

The visitor was quite confident.

"You want to know if there'll be war in Europe?" he said, without touching or seeing the slip of paper. "There won't. Germany and Italy realise now that Britain has re-armed too quickly for them. There will be peace in Europe."

All of which was very mystifying, but may have been explained by the fact that Nathaniel Copeland is really "Argus", a telepathist who has been demonstrating on the stage since he was six years of age.

In Australia, his name is an household word. In England he has made several appearances at Covent Garden and once gave a performance

in the Strand.

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OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7)
Ferocious—follicle—sedentary
signeur—seismograph—ammonium

DON BUDGE CALLS RIGGS WORLD'S BEST AMATEUR

Sabin Ranked Second In U.S. Tennis List

Atlanta, Ga., Mar. 20.
Donald Budge has deserted his old doubles partner, Gene Mako, to name Wayne Sabin as the best bet for No. 2 player on the next U.S. Davis Cup team.

Budge, here for a match with Ellsworth Vines in their tour to decide the national professional championship, pointed to Sabin's clean sweep of Florida tournaments this winter as the basis for the slender Los Angeles netman's claims for Davis Cup consideration.

In the four tournaments he won in Florida, Sabin trounced Mako three times in the finals.

Budge and Vines agreed that Bobbie Riggs of Chicago virtually was a lock for the No. 1 post on the American Davis Cup team. Budge believes that Riggs is the best amateur in the United States and probably in the world.

Jack Bromwich, the Australian who swings with either hand and often both, was named by Budge as probably second to Riggs among the world's simon-pure netmen.

Budge and Vines mentioned Bryan (Betsy) Grant of Atlanta and Frankie Parker of Spring Lake, N.J., as Davis Cup possibilities in the event Sabin's game does not hold up in spring tournaments.—United Press.

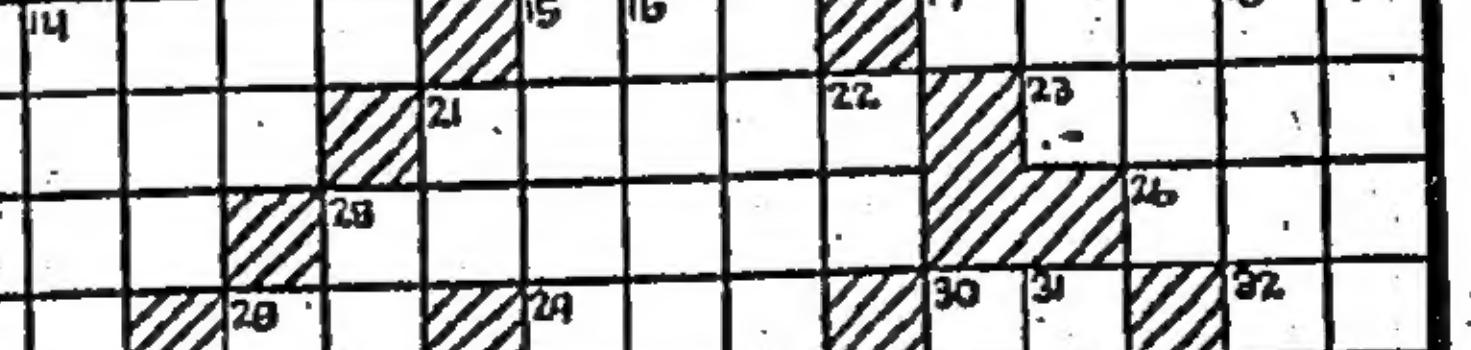
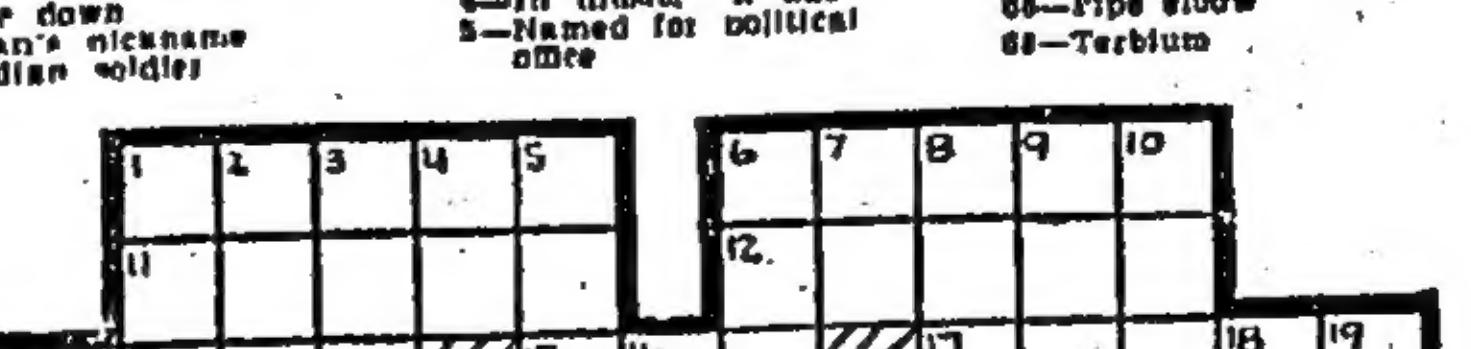
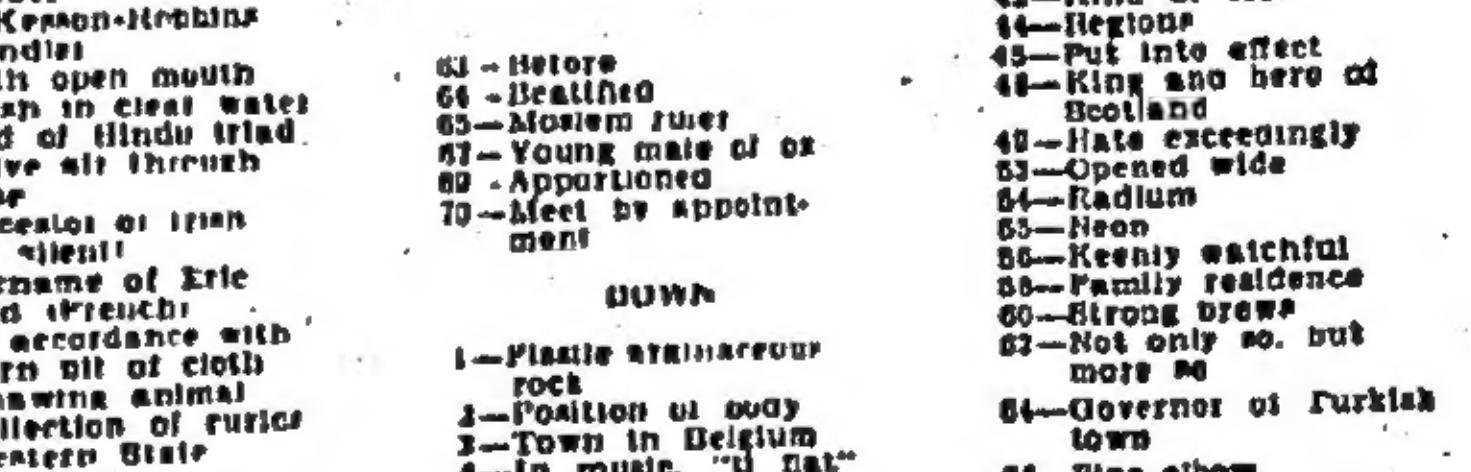
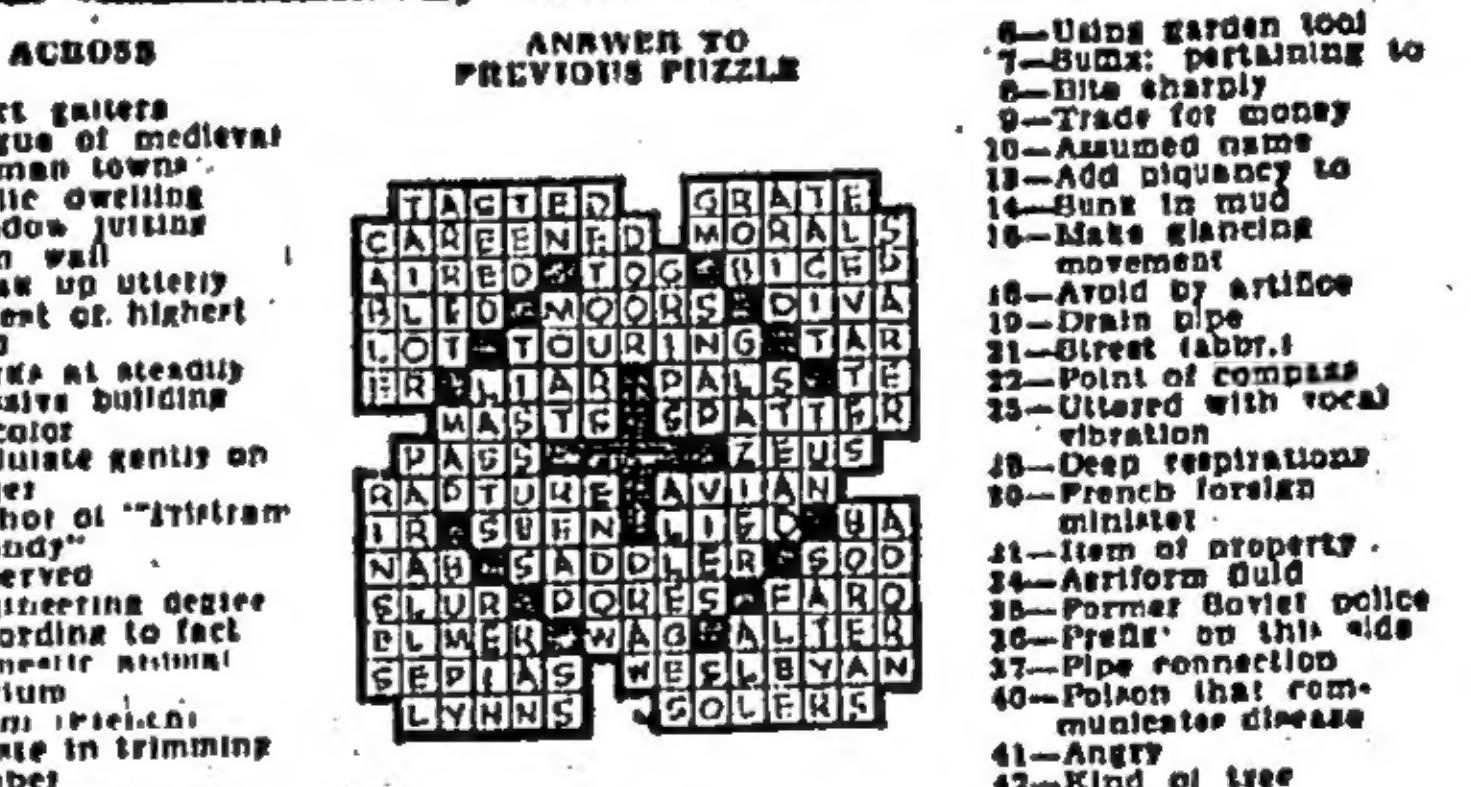
Propaganda Blasts At Belgians

Berlin, Mar. 29.

The new German broadcasting station at Cologne, which is broad-casting exclusively in the languages of neighbouring countries, today concentrated its attention on Belgium, where an election campaign is in progress.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

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By

Elizabeth Arden

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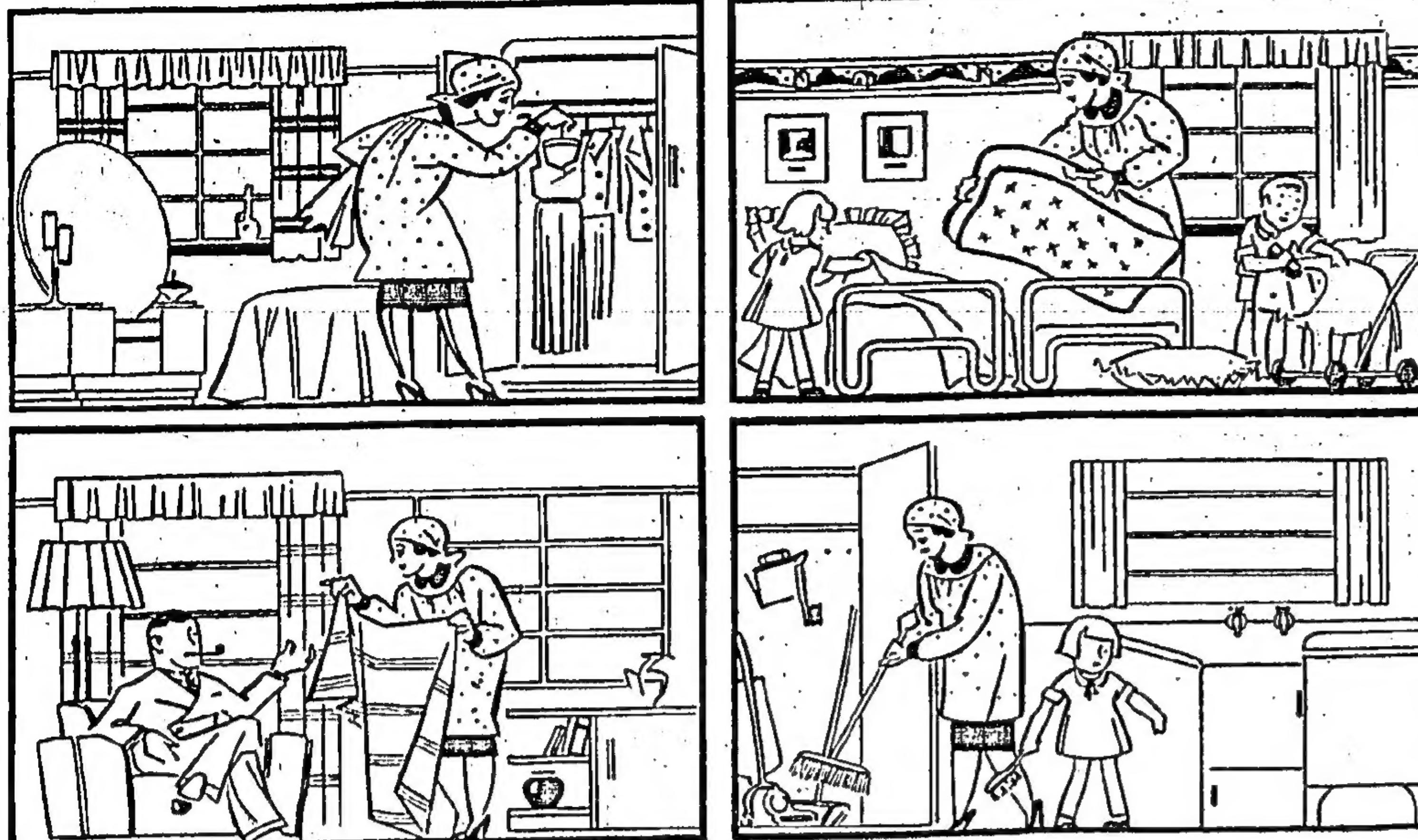
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TO-MORROW AT THE KING'S

Preparing for * the Spring * Clean *



- * Make space for new clothes by getting rid of white elephants.
- * Take note of mattresses and sagging springs which need attention.
- * Father will like to be consulted about the new curtains.
- * Most important! See that equipment is in good order.

LONGER, brighter days, accompanied by the first chirrups of the birds trying out their voices in the garden, never fail to arouse thoughts of a spring clean, even though this isn't the bogey it used to be.

It's us if, when all the polishing and painting, soap-sudsing and scrubbing have been done and everything is shining like a new pin, we have really pushed Old Man Winter back into his place and the sunshine has come into its own once more.

Before you really get down to it with mop and vacuum cleaner, a

little advance planning will save the upholstery. It is added to a warm bath made with soap flakes and is worked into the pile with a nail brush. No rinsing is necessary.

Discomfort at home, even in a good cause, has had a bad effect on tempers of husband and family. The homemaker herself gets less tired if she has everything worked out in advance and can take the spring clean in her stride.

Newly Wed

I was married last summer, so am now into housekeeping. Can you help me to work out a spring cleaning programme?—Coutrey.

DECIDE first what decorating or repairs are necessary and get these done before you start on the spring clean. Also arrange for the spring in good time.

You can save yourself trouble if you make out a list of repairs and another of cleaning materials and any mops or dusters to be bought.

I spread the spring clean over a fortnight, leaving one weekday and Saturday and Sunday clear in each week for "breathing space."

This arrangement would enable you to do the three bedrooms, bathroom and landing in the first week; living room, dining-room, kitchen and hall in the second week. Work from the top of the house downwards.

Treatment for Tapestry

Is it possible to clean tapestry at home?—Motherwell.

HOT bran is good for general cleaning, but there is also a carpet shampoo which can be used on fish salad for a "new one!"

Wear Blues, Oranges As New Colours

New York. As a compliment to the New York World's Fair, French and English designs are playing up blues and oranges, drawn from the blue and orange of the New York State flag. The blue strikes a new colour note in fine mesh linens; orange is gay in mixed tweeds. Plaid and striped taffetas keyed up to orange are advanced for evening wear, these being given more importance than those keyed up to the blue.

Selection of just the right cast and intensity of contrasting colour to combine with a selected costume shade will be important this spring. An example this year is found in the wide variety of yellows which have been brought forward to use with black, and various shades of navy. As reported previously, slightly greenish tones of yellow are favoured to combine with black. But gold and the more subtle wheat yellow are used with the light navy which the exclusive costume houses are showing.

Returning from Europe with new ideas for spring, millinery representatives single out "cognac" as a new colour in straw. This shade is described as a golden cast or light brown. It is recommended for its novelty, and suggested for individual emphasis.

Skirts are still swirling, flaring, flowing. If there was any suspicion that the world of American fashions was tired of the spreading skirt and hankered after a narrow line, current New York fashion blusters dispel the idea. Fullness all around, voluminous ripples, width, front fullness, back flares, loose pleats, gathers, and newest of all—side fullness. Wear fullness over the hips at either side, with enough fullness to widen the silhouette and leave the front and back flat. It's a formal fashion.



Vionnet uses pockets worked into panels for a softly belted suit with roll collar and box pleats.

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Brush Hair For Beauty

THERE is beauty in your hair. Bring it out with vigorous brushing and proper care. Now that the up and down controversy appears settled, you can concentrate on the thing that really matters—the health and texture of your topnot. Whether your hair is shining and silky or stringy and dull depends on the attention you give it—not on your latest haircut or a recent permanent.

Doctors say that hair is as healthy as the person it adorns, so if your conscience tells you that you have shampooed and given yourself hot oil treatment enough and if you have brushed and brushed and still your hair is dry or oily and full of dandruff you had better see your doctor or a dermatologist.

Check Your Health

Nervousness, insufficient sleep, worry, insomnia, and dietary faults may account for your sick scalp and ailing hair, and all of these should be treated under the direction of a physician. Once any physical abnormality has been corrected you will see an immediate improvement in the condition of your hair.

In the majority of cases, however, sensible living, regular shampoos, an occasional oil treatment (even for oily hair) and 10 minutes of brushing night and morning with a clean brush will bring about a miraculous change.

Perhaps the main reason for brushing your hair is cleanliness. First, brush the back of your head from the hairline to the crown to stimulate the circulation. When the scalp has a warm, tingling sensation, go over the entire head. Begin at the middle of the back and, separating the hair into one-inch strands, brush each one with brisk upward strokes. After each third lightning-like stroke of the brush, stop and wipe the bristles on a clean, lintless towel to remove any oil and particles of dust or cuticle picked up.

Finish by fluffing your hair with your fingers and short strokes of the brush to air the scalp and remove any remaining specks of dust. To re-arrange your coiffure, brush the hair down to your head, the under layer of hair first then the top layers. Next, brush your waves or curls upward or back in the direction they should go and set them with your fingers and perhaps one of the new hairdressing combs to help you roll the end curls into place.

Wash Brush Daily

Wash your hair brush every day if possible—at least twice a week if you haven't time to make this a daily event. Swish the brush through soapsuds three or four times, and rinse in clear water. If your hair is excessively oily or troubled with dandruff give your brush a sterilising bath several times during the week. Let it soak in a solution of one teaspoon formalin to a pint of warm water. Then shake the excess water from the bristles and dry the brush, bristles downward, on a Turkish towel.

Spare Room

We want to turn our third bedroom into a spare room. It is furnished with oddments: mahogany wardrobe, cane armchair, oak washstand and divan. I have some green linoleum. Any suggestions?

START by distempering walls and ceiling soft apricot pink and paint the woodwork pale apple green. Leave the wardrobe its present mahogany colour or enamel it to match the woodwork. Take the back off the washstand, cover the top with plywood and drape it with a chintz or cretonne petticoat for a dressing table.

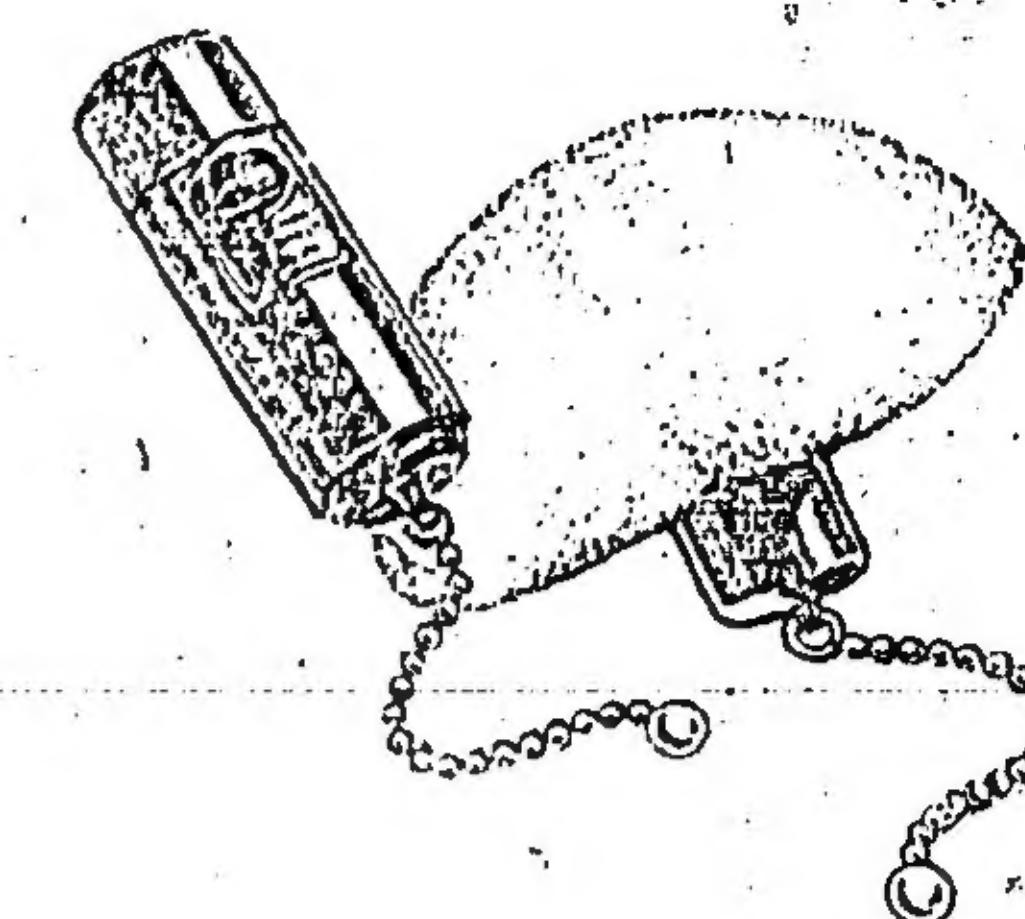
Curtains would be of the same chintz: tiny flower pattern on a cream ground. Enamel the chair apple green and have a green fitted cover for the divan. Two green and beige rugs would look cosy.

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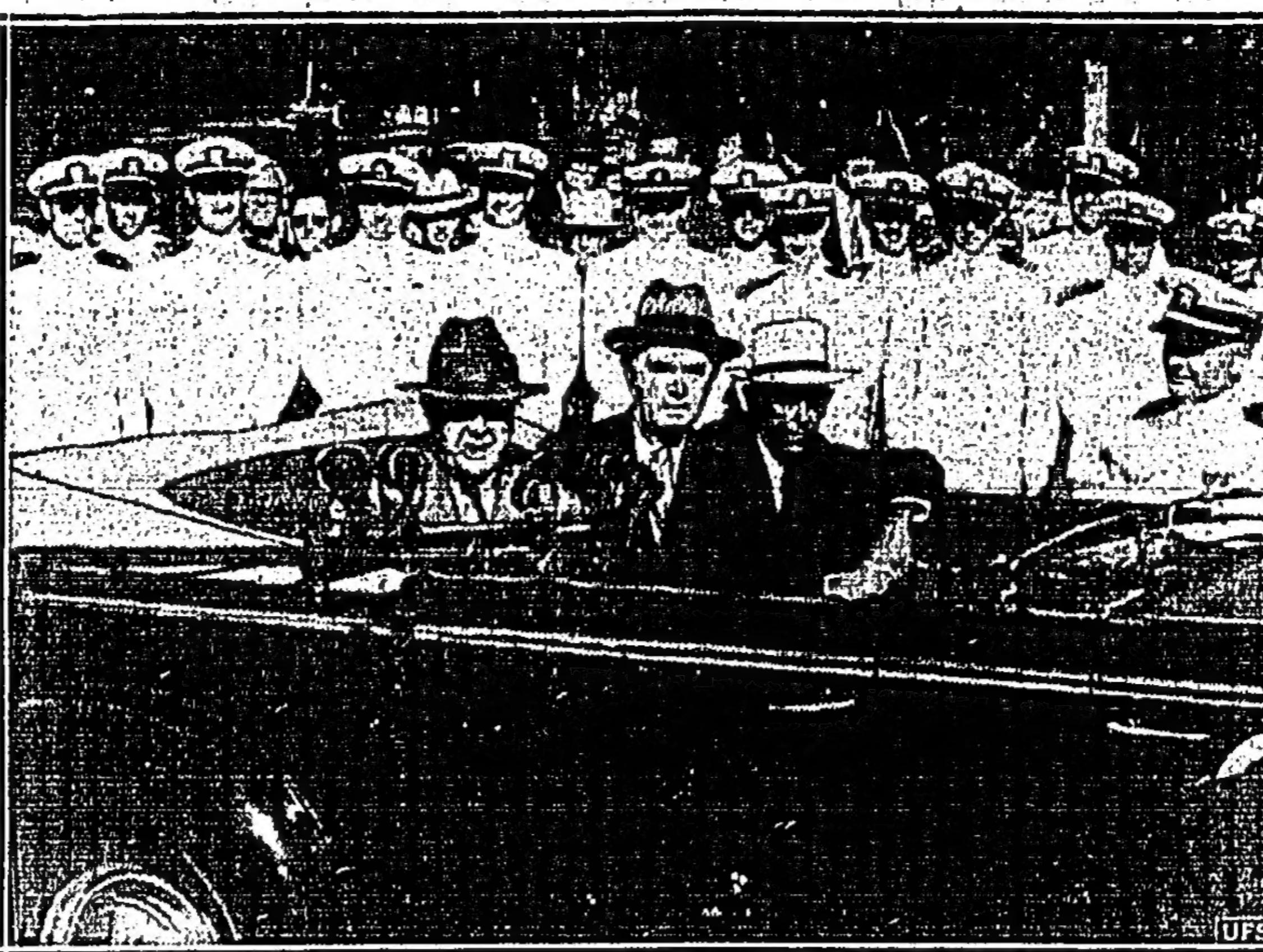
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Miss Peggy LeBaron of New York, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Bancroft of Denver, Colo., wears this seascrucker plaid check play suit at Palm Beach, Fla. Blue is the dominant colour.



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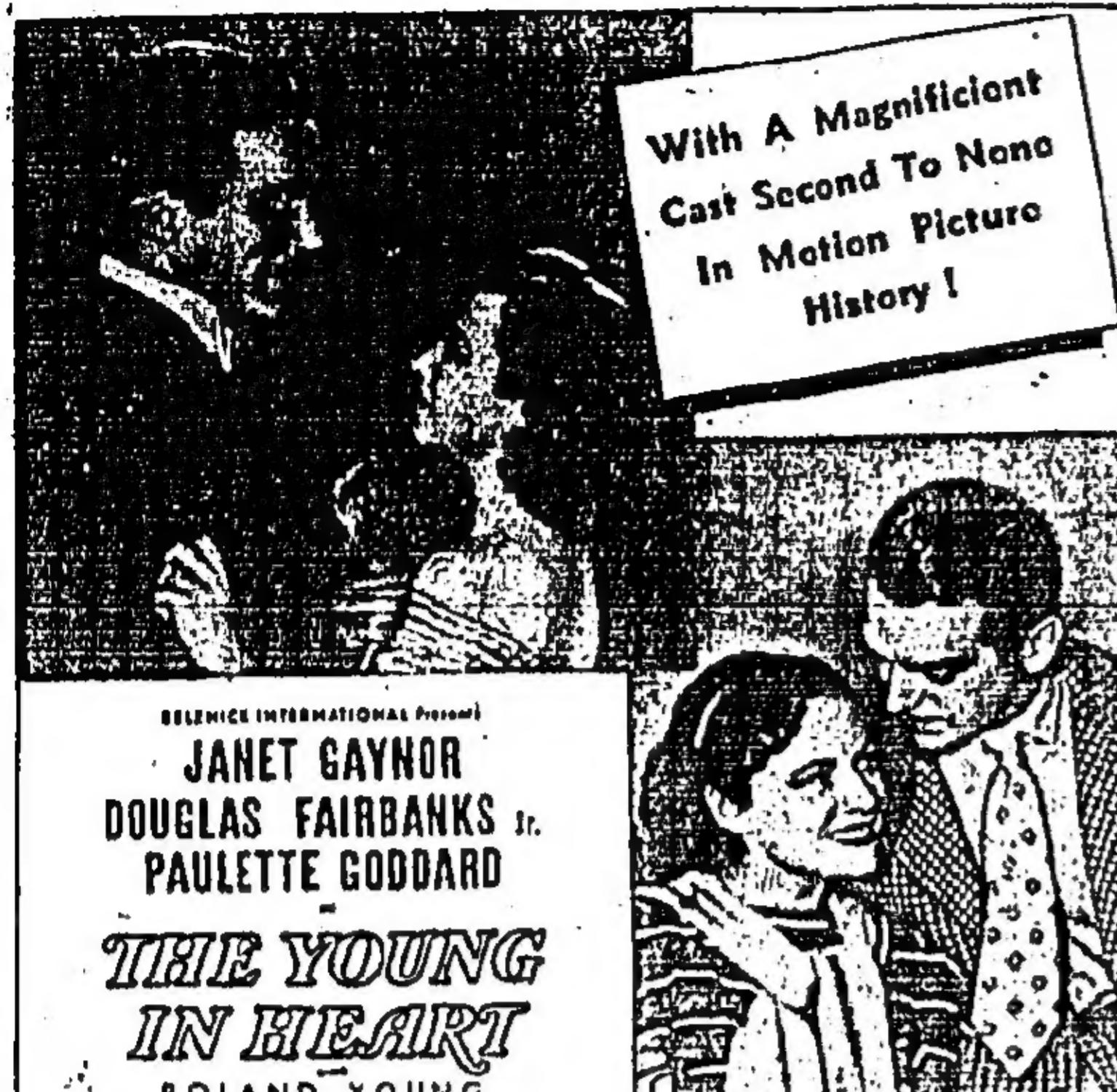
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OBITUARY

Another Vacancy In House of Commons

London, Mar. 28.
Another vacancy has occurred in the House of Commons by the death of Sir George Harvey, Conservative member for the Kensington Division of Lambeth from 1924 to 1929 and since 1931.

Sir George was 69 years old and had served for 12 years on the Holborn Borough Council. He was Mayor for four successive years up to 1924. He also served as member for Holborn on the London County Council. He was a director of the famous Cafe Royal off Piccadilly Circus.—Reuter Special.

There are now eight by-elections pending to fill vacancies in the House of Commons, seven of which are for Government seats.

STATE FUNERAL

Former Ambassador to Paris Buried in Tokyo

Tokyo, Mar. 28.
The Foreign Office accorded the late Mr. Yosaku Sugimura, former Ambassador to France, a Ministry funeral to-day, conducted according to Buddhist rites at the Nishi Hong-ji Cathedral at Tsukiji, Tokyo.

Ministers of State, high Government officials, foreign diplomatic representatives, including the Italian Ambassador, Signor Giacinto Avalli, and the French Ambassador, M. Arsenio Henry, and a large number of notables attended the funeral.

The French Ambassador, in his memorial address, said the French Government and people share the profound grief of Japan in the loss of the distinguished Ambassador—Domel.

COUNCIL MEETING

Eight Bills for Second And Third Readings

At a meeting of the Legislative Council to-morrow afternoon, the Colonial Secretary will move that the Report of the Finance Committee (No. 2), dated March 23, 1939, be adopted.

The Attorney General is to move the second and third readings of:

"A Bill to amend the Betting Duty Ordinance, 1931."

"A Bill to make better provision for the prevention and punishment of endeavours to seduce members of His Majesty's forces, or any member of any local Naval, Military or Police force, corps or reserve, from their duty, or from their allegiance to His Majesty."

"A Bill to amend the law relating to the professional qualifications required in the case of Judges of the Supreme Court and Full Court."

"A Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to the registration of persons."

"A Bill to consolidate and amend the law relating to the taxation of Hydrocarbon Oils."

"A Bill to authorize an undertaking for the reclamation of an area of sea bed to abut the Jubilee Street Ferry Pier approaches and Connaught Road to the Eastward of such approaches between Queen Victoria Street and Pottinger Street and for construction of a pier extending seawards from such reclamation and also for the construction of a temporary pier between the said reclamation and Douglas Wharf."

"A Bill to amend the Protection of Women and Girls' Ordinance, 1928."

"A Bill to make provision for the Colony's yearly contributions to His Majesty's Government for defence."

LATE NEWS

German Envoy Sees Beck

Warsaw, Mar. 29.
The German Ambassador, Herr von Molke, saw Colonel Beck, Polish Foreign Minister, last night.

It is stated that the conversations did not introduce fresh elements to the situation, although Colonel Beck probably assured von Molke that the Polish Government had no intention of departing from the principles of the Polish-German Non-Aggression Pact of 1934 by joining any aggressive coalition against Germany.—Reuter.

Great Crisis Coming

WARSAW, Mar. 29.
All Poland sees a great crisis coming, declared General Skwarczynski in a speech at a meeting to-day of the Government Party. The meeting was attended by General Smigly-Rydz.

General Skwarczynski added: "We must work for peace and strive for good relations with our neighbours. We must not allow ourselves to be influenced by any pressure and must not become involved in any aggressive designs against our neighbours."

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At the conclusion of the exercises, Medway and the destroyer Decoy came to Hongkong. Eight of the 11 visiting submarines have already returned to Hongkong.

The four destroyers Duncan, Diamond, Duchess, Delight have also returned to Hongkong.

Other departures will be as follows:

To-morrow—Kent, Suffolk, Fal-

mouth leave for Hongkong.

Apr. 12—Eagle and Daring leave on a cruise, returning to Singapore later in the month.

HEALTH BULLETINS

Two cases each of Diphtheria and Typhoid, 30 of Tuberculosis, 11 of Measles, one of Chicken-pox, and four of Meningitis, were reported on Monday.

The weekly return shows the following infectious diseases: Six cases of Small-pox with seven deaths, 12 of Diphtheria with five deaths, 18 of Typhoid with five deaths, 65 of Measles with 29 deaths, six of Chicken-pox with one death, 29 of Meningitis with 16 deaths, 16 of Dysentery with five deaths, one of Puerperal Fever, and 133 of Tuberculosis with 92 deaths.

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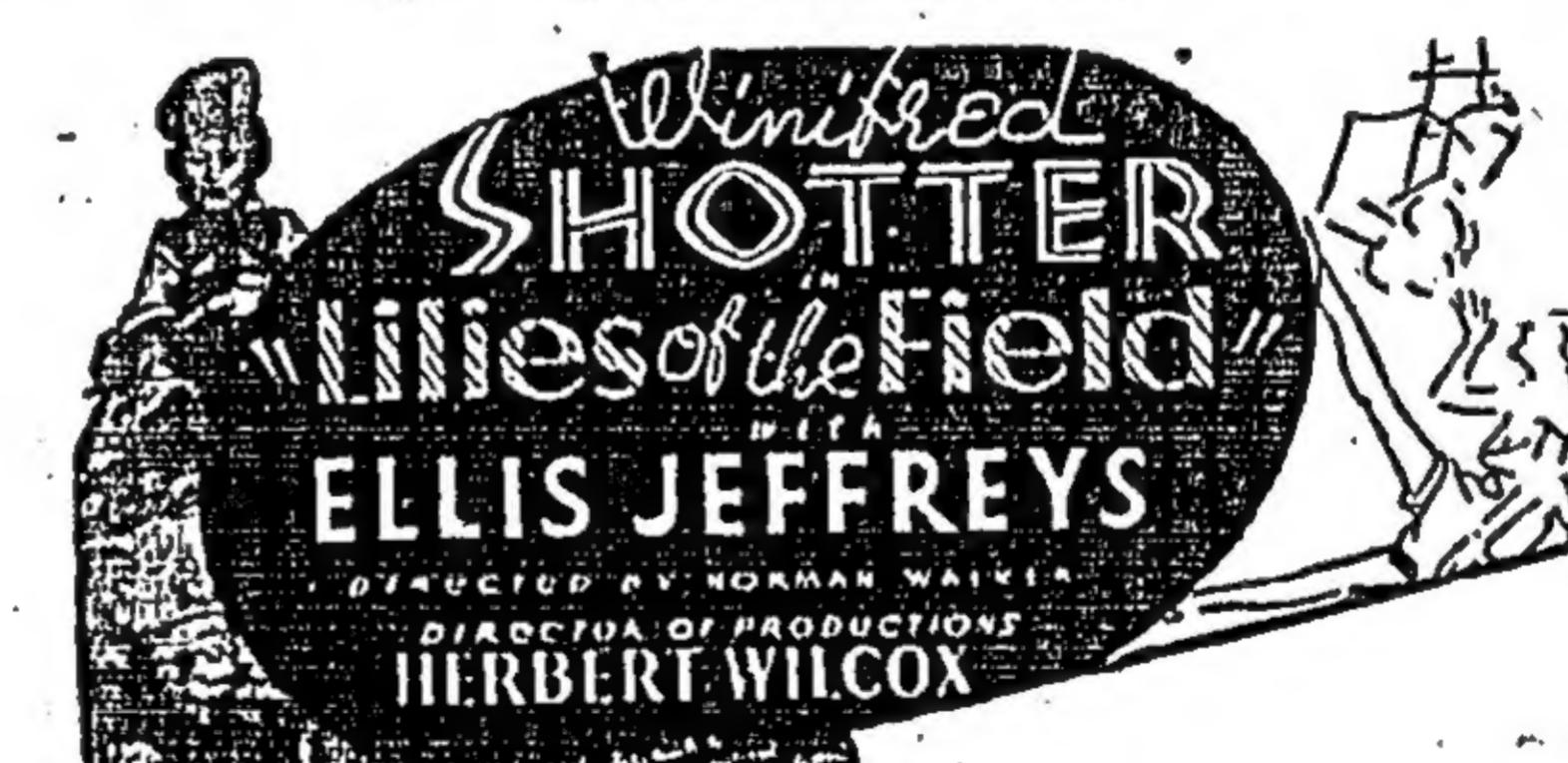
The name of Dr. Chung-ching Wang, a graduate of Edinburgh University, has been added to the local register of medical practitioners. Dr. Wang practised in the Colony some years ago.

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